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Will attend promptly and faithfully to all business entrusted to their care.

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Will collect rents and taxes paid. Business entrusted to his care will receive prompt attention.

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LAND ENTERED ON TIME.

TAXES PAID FOR NON-RESIDENTS.

Winnebago City, Minn., Oct. 26, 1864.

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Keeps a well-filled stock of drugs.

CLIFTON HOUSE.

Front Street, near the Levee.

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M. T. C. FLOWER, Proprietor.

General Stage Office for all Points in the State. Good Stabling with attentive Outlets. 19yl

J. S. PERRY,

TAILOR!

Winnebago City Minnesota,

Is prepared to do all kinds of work entrusted to him with promptness and dispatch.

All work warranted. Most kinds of country produce taken for work. Cutting done on short notice, and warranted to fit it properly made up.

Winnebago City Minn. Aug. 31st '64 44yl

D. BURDELL,

COUNTY SURVEYOR.

OF FAIRBANKS COUNTY MINN.

RESIDENCE in Prescott township, but where any mail should be directed to Verona, Post office, with the number of section, town, and Range where the work is required to be done.

I am prepared at all times to lay out roads, town plots and in fact do all other work in the surveyor's line.

R. B. JOHNSON,

Manufacturer of

Boots & Shoes,

and dealer in

Leather and Findings

Repairing done to order.

Ready Made Boys' and Youths' Boots and Shoes.

Corner Holley and Moulton Streets,

Winnebago City, Minn.

JAS. L. CHRISTIE,

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LAND WARRANTS

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Will also pay Taxes, examine Titles, &c., for non-residents. Office one door South of U. S. Land Office.

Winnebago City, Fairbault Co., Minn.

BLUE EARTH VALLEY

EXPRESS & STAGE LINE.

A. D. MASON, Proprietor.

The proprietor of the Blue Earth Stage Line

has recently placed upon the above route an

Express Line, which affords facilities for carrying

freight and money equal to any Company in the

State, and is now prepared to do a general

Express business from Mankato to Blue Earth

City, and points intermediate, connecting with

the American Express at Mankato, for all points in the East.

THE EXPRESS leaves Mankato on Mondays and Fridays.

THE STAGE leaves Mankato Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.

Leaves Blue Earth City, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays.

The Proprietor guarantees satisfaction to all who may entrust business to him.

Winnebago City, Jan. 1864. m13c2yl

MANKATO INS. AGENCY.

HARTFORD

PHOENIX

MERCHANTS—Fire Ins. Co's.

CHARTER OAK LIFE INS. CO

Losses equitably adjusted and promptly paid by

JOHN N. HALL

21yl Resident Agent.

N E W

WATCH & JEWELRY STORE.

The undersigned begs leave to inform the citizens

Mankato and surrounding country, that he has taken

rooms in the building occupied by Mr. WOLFE, on

DOOR above RECORD OFFICE for the purpose

opening a

WATCH AND JEWELRY

ESTABLISHMENT.

Having had several years experience in one of the

largest establishments in Illinois, I can assure the

public that all work left in my charge will be executed

in the neatest and most durable manner.

Mankato. 21yl Dec. 24th, 1864.

J. D. JONES,

Harness and Saddle Maker

Nearly opposite the CLIFTON HOUSE

MANKATO . . . MINN.

Keeps constantly on hand everything in his line

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.

Mankato, March 16 1864. 21yl

CHAS. HEILBORN.

Manufacturer and Dealer in

FURNITURE,

of every variety.

Gilt Mouldings Kept On Hand

WARE-ROOMS CORNER OF HICKORY & SECOND

STS. MANKATO MINN. 21yl

P. B. SPARROW.

Dealer in

STOVES,

Hardware, Tin, Copper and

Sheet Iron Ware.

Sign of the COFFEE POT.

MANKATO, . . . MINN.

Wanted! Wanted!!

1000 Bushels of CORN at the Mill.

in Winnebago City Minn., for which the highest

market will be paid.

McCORMICK & TAYLOR.

FAIRBANKS' STANDARD

Scales

OF ALL KINDS.

Also, Warehouse Trucks, Letts,

Presses, &c.

FAIRBANKS, GREENLEAF & CO.,

172 Lake Street, Chicago.

Be careful to buy only the genuine. 33yl

WINNEBAGO CITY HOTEL.

The subscriber still keeps the above house,

and pledges himself as ever to be attentive to

the comfort of his guests. His table is supplied

with the best to be found in the country.

17yl C. S. KIMBALL.

Woman's Patriotism.

Women, first in sorrow's hour,
First to save the drooping flower,
First to soothe the bleeding heart
First to bear the bitter part.

Strong to suffer and to wait,
To whisper words of comfort yet,
When all seems dark and full of gloom,

At the death-bed, at the tomb.

"Where is your son?" asked I of a

doting mother regarding her only

child.

"I gave him to his country, and he

sleeps beneath the sod of a far distant

battle-field, side by side with many noble

hearts that have since ceased hoping

or aching. Poor boy! the warm sun-

light shined on his grassy mound, and

the soft night dew refreshes the verdure

but no mother's tear has moistened

the sacred spot."

Could it be the mother who spoke

these words; no tear dimming her eye,

no pallor o'er-spreading her cheek, no

tremor in her voice? Still remembered

loved, fondly cherished, I knew the

son to be; his place unfilled in that

mother's heart, and yet was it her lips

that told of his early blight so calmly.

"I gave him to his country"

Ah! how few can justly appreciate

the value of that mother's gift. The

child she had so safely housed from

the storms and tempests of life since

receiving him as a gift from God, who

a little while since, hushed a wailing

lullaby upon her breast, his prattling

voice an infant smile rewarding all her

care and trouble, brightening all her fu-

ture with the hope that the young arm

would yet be strong enough to lean up-

on; the little life she had watched as

only a mother can, rejoicing when the

rosy flush mantled his baby cheek, and

health rounded the little shrunken

limbs into strength and beauty, her

desolate widowed heart gaining cour-

age as every passing year added to his

growth; the son by whose sick couch

nothing vigil had been kept night days

and nights without food or rest, lest

the "Fell Destroyer" should rob her of

her treasure, whose aching head had

oft been pillowed on her sweet mater-

nal bosom, and whose throbbing brow

had been so gently soothed by her mag-

ic touch, finding the tangled masses

of sunny hair, every thread of which

was more prized than jewels or gold.

But "I gave him to his country" is as

serenely spoken as if no mother's heart

was crushed by the unerring shot that

sent death to her boy, as if the star of

hope had not forever set in her bosom,

not one on earth being left to love.

"I gave him to his country"

Mother, does not this touching little

phrase cause a tear of sympathy to flood

your eye as you clasp your own boy to

your maternal bosom, lest his young

spirit flutter away? Ah! yes, for a brief

moment the most calous must grow ten-

der at the thought of the mother's

self sacrificing patriotism.

Oh! Spartan mother! the words are

worthy of a daughter of the land of

Washington, worthy of the mothers of

America's heroic sons, whose brave

deeds and noble bearings are the won-

der of an admiring world and the pride

and glory of a grateful country.

Wild Animals in California.

The San Francisco Bulletin says:—

"The destruction caused by wild ani-

mals to the flocks and herds has been

very serious this year. We are informed

of rancheros in the lower counties

who have lost hundreds of sheep, hogs,

and cattle, by bears, lions, and coy-

otes. These destructive brutes appear

to have been deprived, by the excess

five drought of their usual supplies of

venison, squirrels, coons, badgers, cats,

and wild fruits, and have en-

deavored to make up for their loss by

waylaying

THE HOMESTEAD



WINNEBAGO CITY, MINN.

MARCH 1 1865.

W. M. HOLLEY Editor.

The re-examination of exempted men in Rice County which took place a few days since, upon the order of Col. Averill to test the correctness of the operations of the old Board, resulted in finding 48 able bodied men out of 153 exempted men re-examined. One thing is proven by this, of course, that the first examination was a cheat and a swindle, or else the examining Board were fools. I did not know a well man when I saw him. Either horn of the dilemma will probably be fatal to the long continuance of the Board in office. We understand from good authority that all exemptions given since the 1st of January 1865 will be re-examined, and the names of those exempted put back on the rolls. Between fifteen and twenty outside sharks have been arrested and bound over to appear before the U. S. District Court at its next term. A thorough investigation is to be had, and those who have been engaged in defrauding Uncle Sam of drafting material, will not doubt wish before it is done with that they had let the job alone. We sincerely believe Col. Averill is in earnest in his efforts to punish the guilty and if he is they cannot very well escape justice, unless they run off to Canada.

The Wilton News, Valley Herald, Winona Republican, and Mankato Union are claimed by the St. Paul Pioneer, as Republican journals which are opposed to negro suffrage. From the Wilton News this was to be expected as its Editor belongs to that class of conservative Republicans who are not one whit ahead of the pro slavery Democracy on the question of human rights. But from the other journals named, better things were expected. The "News" coolly advocates the sending black soldiers when the war is over to some southern State or Territory where they may enjoy their rights, but be disfranchised every where else. That is to say, the black soldier is good enough to fight for the liberties of the Editor of the News, but is not good enough when the day is won to share with the Editor of the News, even the privilege of remaining in a country he has helped to save from destruction. All such stuff only proves true what southern men have always claimed that despite their loud professions, there was a class in the North at heart, more despicable negro drivers if they had the opportunity than existed in the South. We believe this is so, and further that one has not to go outside of the Republican organization to find some of them.

An effort is being made to have the office holders in this State removed and new ones put in their places for the next four years, upon the agricultural reason we suppose that rotation improves the crop. Should not wonder? We understand there are 149 applicants for the Land Office at this place, among whom are Hon. J. L. Gibbs of Freeborn County, the Hon. James B. Wakefield of Blue Earth City and Andrew C. Dunn Esq. of this town. As reported by their friends, that Gibbs and Gibbs have the inside track and are far ahead of all competitors.

A resolution passed Congress Feb. 6th instructing the Committee on Public Lands to report as to the propriety and expediency of permitting Homesteads to be taxed for town county and State purposes. Bless your silly souls way down there at Washington! You are behind the age! The Attorney General of Minnesota passed a law over a year ago taxing Homesteads, and the tax collectors have been collecting taxes under it.

We hear that Col. Averill will simply revoke all exemptions granted since Jan. 1st 1865 in this District, but all exemptions ever granted by the present Board. This swindle was not born with the year 1865, but has been going on for over two years in

this District, and the only way to have justice done to all, is to wipe all old exemptions out and begin new. As the investigation proceeds, the amount of rascality that will be developed will astonish the people. Col. Averill is one who will never flinch, but will probe the matter to the bottom.

The Shakopee "Argus" man, is decidedly opposed to an amendment to the Constitution which would prevent all persons who cannot read from voting. We do not wonder at his objection to the test of intelligence. It could hardly be expected that he would be in favor of disfranchising himself.

A member of the 2nd Minnesota, thus writes from Savannah about the colored free men of that city:

Poor creatures—the colored people—they can hardly express their gratitude and satisfaction for freedom. And they have already gone to work with a will to establish schools for their children, and have ten a going with over 500 pupils.

From the Mankato "Union" we learn that the people of that town had got quite nervous over the advent of U. S. Marshal Eaton. If he is on Exemption business Sholem, we advise you to hire Elder Stine to paralyze him by quoting scripture.

Our friend Shakopee Argus says "good asses in Scott county are worth one thousand dollars." We do not doubt it in the least, of Scott County has long been noted for providing a superior article in that line.

A negro not long since gave the following toast: "De Governor ob de State—he come in wid berry little opposition; him go out wid none at all."

A wag at our elbow who by the way is not an ardent admirer "of the present Executive of Minnesota," says that the "nigger" that got that off has intelligence enough to vote.

NEWS BY TELEGRAPH.

GLORY! GLORY!

REBELDOM IN ITS LAST STAGES!

CHARLESTON EVACUATED!

Wilmington in Our Possession!

The Stars and Strips Wave Where They First Fell.

WILMINGTON. Official Announcement of the Capture of the City.

Washington, Feb. 24.

The Navy Department has just received the following: United States flag ship, Malvern, Cape Fear River, Feb. 22d, via Fort Monroe, 24th, 9 A. M.

H. M. Gideon Welles, Sec. of Navy:

I have the honor to inform you that Wilmington is in possession of our troops.

DAVID D. PORTER, Rear Admiral.

CHARLESTON HARBOR Feb. 18.

Early last evening Brig. Gen. Schemmelfanning commanding the Northern District of the Department of the South, discovered some indications which led him to believe that the rebels were about to evacuate Charleston and its defenses, and he accordingly ordered his pickets and picket boats to keep a bright lookout and report immediately any movement on the part of the enemy. About half past three this morning a terrific explosion took place in Charleston, which shook every ship in the harbor, and off the bar, and almost simultaneous with the explosion flames broke out, and could be distinctly seen in different parts of the city.

It appears the first explosion took place at the Wilmington depot, the fire from which rapidly communicated with the adjacent buildings, causing a general conflagration of all dwelling houses in the vicinity and it was while the unfortunate inhabitants were trying to extinguish this fire that the second explosion took place, which resulted so disastrously causing terrible loss of life among the women and children,

who are represented as having been horribly mutilated.

This morning Gen. Schemmelfanning landed his forces and occupied the city and its defenses. The formidable earthworks on James Island are found to be abandoned and the guns spiked. At ten o'clock this morning a detachment was sent to take possession of Fort Sumpter and raise the flag which Gen. Anderson hauled down nearly four years ago. At three o'clock the flag was raised amid deafening cheers.

As fast as forces could be thrown into the city they were set to work to put out the fire, which up to the time of leaving was raging fiercely in different parts of the city. Old men, women and children rushing frantically to and fro in agonized despair at the loss of their homes and the killing and mutilating of their friends.

It is impossible to estimate the amount of cotton destroyed by the rebels. Several thousand bales were collected in different parts of the city, and set on fire almost simultaneously with the principal depots.

The upper part of Charleston is almost entirely consumed. It was the opinion of Gen. Gilmore's staff that in all probability, two-thirds of the city would be destroyed before the fire could be extinguished, with imperfect means of subduing it at hand.

The last rear guard of rebels left Charleston at four A. M. this morning.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23.—The Richmond papers of Tuesday say that Sherman is pushing rapidly north for Charlotte, Salisbury, Greensboro, Danville, and thence to join Grant in an attack on Richmond. Unless Sherman is soon checked, he cannot be stopped at all.

New York, Feb. 24.

The Commercial Washington special says no apprehension exists there about Sherman as Grant will keep Lee fully occupied in defending Richmond.

NEWS ITEMS.

Washington A. Bartlett, formerly an officer in the United States navy, and father of the young lady whose marriage a few years ago to Senator Oviedo, of Cuba, was known as the "diamond wedding" died in New York on Monday, aged 49 years. In 1861 he was actively engaged in fitting out a naval brigade, but subsequently left the service.

The Senate will probably take no action on the Niagara and Illinois canal bills, further than to order surveys by government engineers.

Boats are again being fired upon by guerrillas between Cairo and Memphis.

The Government wharf boat at Memphis, containing 11,000 sacks of grain was sunk on the 13 inst. Loss \$50,000.

Substitute brokerage in West Tennessee has been abolished by military authority. In Cairo Ill. brokers are required to pay a license of \$1,000.

The Missouri Legislature is to visit St. Louis and partake of a banquet on the 27th inst.

Col. James Wallace, connected with the Louisville Journal, died on the 21st.

There are dates from New Orleans by way of New York, to the 20th inst. The Times makes light of the report that rebel refugees had been sent back to Matamoros Texas, and that Canby is to retaliate. The story is probably a canard.

The mansion in which John C. Calhoun was born and lived until near time of his death, at Braddock's point S. C., recently took fire accidentally and burned to the ground.

The steamer Winona has recently been seized on the Mississippi for alleged illegal trading.

The proposition to tax States one half of one per cent, has been adopted by the House by two majority.

It is stated that the issue of treasury notes under the new loan will be limited to the denomination of \$100 and upwards.

NEW BLACKSMITH SHOP.

The undersigned would inform the citizens of Winnebago City that he has just opened a shop where he is prepared to do all kinds of blacksmithing at the very lowest living prices for ready pay.

BURDIE UNDERWOOD.

The BRUCE CHAMBER, an Essay of Warning and Instruction to Young Men—published by the Howard Association, and sent free of charge in sealed envelopes. Address, Dr. J. SKILLING HOUGHTON, Howard Association, Philadelphia Pa.

ON TO RICHMOND!

Just received, a new and complete assortment of

GROCERIES!

SILAS RICHARDSON

has now opened at his rooms in WINNEBAGO CITY,

One of the best selected, varied and most extensive assortment of Goods in their line

Ever imported into Faribault County,

Which they are selling to the People of the Blue Earth Valley cheaper than Mankato or any other man.

In the GROCERY & PROVISION DEPARTMENT,

Their facilities for supplying the wants of the people of this immense region are on a scale to warrant the fullest satisfaction. We offer to the citizens of Faribault and Martin Counties the finest stock of

Groceries and

Provisions

FRESH OYSTERS

Fresh Meat,

GREEN & DRIED FRUITS,

TOBACCO & CIGARS

THE BEST

TEAS & COFFEES,

SUGARS,

Wines & Liquors

Ever brought to this market.

Also a complete assortment of

HARDWARE!

CASH BUYERS

WILL

consult their own interests

BY CALLING, EXAMINING AND PURCHASING

from our VARIED AND EXTENSIVE AS-

ORTMENT.

We have the

Facilities and Determination

to sell Goods as cheap as any house West of the

Mississippi.

Pay Cash for Wheat, Oats, Corn,

Pork, Hides, Butter and Eggs.

SILAS RICHARDSON

Winnebago City

Winnebago City

Flouring Mill!

The proprietor of this mill gives notice that at last he has got everything in running condition, and in tip top shape, and can from this time henceforth supply all demands on him for FLOUR, SHORTS, BRAN, CORN-MEAL, and all kinds of FEED.

ELISHA RHODES,

PRICES GREATLY REDUCED.

THE CITY

DRUG STORE!

LEWIS and FRISBIE.

(Successors to J. R. Tinkcom.)

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALERS

Drugs,

Medicines,

Paints.

Dye Stuffs,

Cigars, and

PURE LIQUORS.

We have also a splendid assortment of

BOOKS & STATIONARY

Corner of FRONT & HICKORY sts

Mankato, Minn. 21yl

TOWN MEETING.

Pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided, there will be a Special Town Meeting of the legal voters of the Town of Winnebago City, held at Moulton's Hall at the village of Winnebago City, on Monday, the 6th day of February 1865, to vote upon a proposition to pay a bounty of \$400, to each person enlisting on or before the 15th day of February, 1865, to the credit of said town, under the last call of the President for 300,000 men. Said money to be raised by issuing Town Bonds payable in two years with 12 per cent. interest. The polls will be opened at said Hall in said village, commencing at nine o'clock in the morning and closing at five o'clock P. M. Winnebago City, Jan. 25, 1865.

R. B. JOHNSON, Town Clerk.

Farmers of the Blue-Earth valley

when you come to Mankato, stop at

O. WARD'S

Where you can find every variety of

Dry Goods,

Hardware,

Groceries

BOOTS & SHOES

HATS & CAPS!

WITH ALL THE LATEST STYLES OF READY MADE

CLOTHING!

And in fact everything you will be likely to want, and at PRICES TO SUIT THE TIMES.

Try us when you come to town. If we can't suit you when you call on us, that will be our fault. If you, when you come to town, do not give us a chance to suit you that is your loss.

GIVE HIM A TRIAL.

Mankato, March 16, 1864.

21yl

U.S. 7-30 LOAN

The Secretary of the Treasury gives notice that

subscriptions will be received for Coupon Treasury

Notes payable three years from Aug. 15th 1864,

semi annual interest at the rate of seven and

three-tenths percent, per annum,—principal and

interest both to be paid in lawful money.

These notes will be convertible at the option of

the holder at maturity, into six per cent. gold

bearing bonds, payable not less than five nor

more than twenty years from their date, as the

Government may elect. They will be issued in

denominations of \$50, \$100, \$500, \$1,000 and

\$5,000, and all subscriptions must be for fifty

dollars or some multiple of fifty dollars.

As the notes draw interest from August 15, per-

sons making deposits subsequent to that date

must pay the interest accrued from the date of

note to date of deposit.

Special advantages of this Loan.

IT IS A NATIONAL SAVINGS BANK, offering a

higher rate of interest than any other and the

BEST SECURITY. Any savings bank which

pays its depositors in U. S. Notes, considers that

it is paying in the best circulating medium of the

country, and it cannot pay in anything better.

For its own assets are either in government securi-

ties or in notes or bonds payable in government

paper.

Convertible into a Six per cent.

5-20 Gold Bond.

In addition to the very liberal interest on the

notes for three years, this privilege of conversion

so now worth about three per cent, per annum for

the current rate for 5-20 Bonds is not less than

nine per cent. premium, and before the war

the premium on six per cent. U. S. stocks was

over twenty per cent. It will be seen that the

actual profit on this loan, at the present market

rate, is not less than ten per cent per annum:

Its Exemption from State or

Municipal Taxation.

But aside from all the advantages we have

enumerated, a special set of Congress exempt

all bonds and treasury notes from local Tax-

ation. On the average, this exemption is worth

about two per cent, per annum, according to the

rate of taxation in various parts of the country.

It is believed that no securities offer so great

inducements to lenders as those issued by the

government. In all other forms of indebtedness

the faith or ability of private parties, or stock

companies, or separate communities, only, is

pledged for payment, while the whole property

of the country is held to secure the discharge of

all the obligations of the United States.

Subscriptions will be received by the Treasurer

of the United States, at Washington, the several

Assistant Treasurers and designated Deposita-

ries, and by the

First National Bank of St Paul

and by all National Banks which are deposita-

ries of public money, and

ALL RESPECTABLE BANKS AND BANKERS

throughout the country will give further infor-

mation and

AFFORD EVERY FACILITY TO SUBSCRIBERS.

October 26, 1861. n32m2

NEW GOODS.

Just received, a new and complete assortment of Fall and Winter Goods, consisting in part, of

Dry Goods and GROCERIES.

J. M. THOMPSON.

GARDEN CITY, MINN.,

WOULD respectfully announce to the people of Faribault and Blue Earth counties, that he has just received a large assortment of Goods for

FALL & WINTER!

SUCH AS—

Prints, Shawls,

De Laines, Boots & Shoes,

Denims, wool Yarn,

Brown Sheetting, Cod Fish.

Bleach'd Sheet'g, Mackerel,

Cassimeres, White Fish.

Satinetts, Dried Apple,

KENTUCKY JEANS,

STRIPES

DRIED PEACHES

CANDLE WICKING

HATS & CAPS.

And in fact everything kept in a WELL FILL

ED country store, all of which will be sold as

cheap as

Can be bought in the State.

LOCAL AFFAIRS.

THE QUOTAS.

We find in the Rochester Post the list of Quotas for this District. Fairbault and Martin Counties stand as follows: the figures opposite the name of a town showing the number of men it must furnish under this call.

| FAIRBULT CO. | | | |
|-----------------|-----|-------------|----|
| Blue Earth City | 22. | Elmore | 9 |
| Brush Creek | 8. | Guthrie | 4. |
| Marples | 25. | Pilot Grove | 12 |
| Prescott | — | Seeley | 1 |
| Walnut Lake | 10. | Verona | 11 |

Winnebago City —
MARTIN CO.

Fairmount 20, Nevada 9, Waverly 18.

Shelbyville in Blue Earth County has 14 men to furnish, Mapleton 10 Sterling 13, and Danville 10.

Our citizens were exhilarated with the news last Friday night that Charleston had been evacuated by the rebels. The flag was run up, and the drums brought out, and good feelings prevailed generally. Only one man we heard of who seemed to derive no comfort from the news he now declaring that all it amounted to was the taking of a few more "d—d niggers" for the North to support. If this candidate for President had only been elected last fall, very likely he would not have been called upon to mourn over such a taking. Poor man!

Surgeon Chubb of the 20th Michigan Regt. army of the Potomac called on us on Saturday last. He is looking at the country preparatory to leading a regiment of 600 soldiers to the taking of each a Homestead on the Government lands west of us when the war is over. Having lived together over three years, the boys wish to locate Homesteads together, and become neighbors in peace as they have been in war. Good idea!

AT COST!!

For the next thirty days we offer our stock of Dry Goods at 15 per cent less than past prices. We must get rid of our stock in order to make room for our spring purchases. Now is the time to get your money back. We are selling just at cost.

MOULTON & DEUDON.

Take Notice. Elisha Rhodes offers his Sheep for sale. This is a good chance, pitch in.

Bully For The S. M. R. R.
We are in receipt of a dispatch from La Crosse to the effect that said City voted on the 23d inst. Fifty Thousand Dollars aid to this Road. La Crosse knows what she is about. She is bound to do her part towards building a road that is destined to be the best in the State, one too that will bring to her untold wealth.

General Headquarters, State Minnesota.
ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,
St. Paul, Minn., Feb. 22 '65

GENERAL ORDERS, NO. 1.

I Pursuant to authority from the War Department the 1st Battalion Minnesota Volunteer Infantry will, by the recruiting of eight additional companies be raised to a regimental organization, and be known as the 1st Regiment Minnesota Infantry Volunteers.

II. The following named Lieutenants have been conditionally appointed to serve for the regiment and will receive unconditional commissions provided they respectively raise at least 30 men each for the organization:

Second Lieutenant Edward Tuman of Anawauken, Le Sueur county.

Second Lieutenant Patrick H. Taylor, of Belle Prairie, Morrison county.

Second Lieutenant Ludwell I. Mosher, of Wilcox, Waseca county.

Second Lieutenant Freeman McKusick, of Stillwater, Washington county.

III. First Lieutenant Charles C. Parker, of the first Battalion Minnesota Infantry Volunteers, with a detail of men has been ordered to the State on recruiting service, and his headquarters established at the City Hotel in this city, where he will enlist men for the regiment.

IV. On the recommendation of Lieut. Parker other officers and recruiting agents besides those above named will be appointed and ordered to convenient points in the State on recruiting services.

The following is a list of those already appointed as such agents:

Francis A. Wheeler, Preston, Fairmore county.

H. B. Corey, Mower county.
L. J. Bennett Redwing Goodhue Co.
A. C. Poor, Nininger, Dacotah Co.
O. G. Davis, Martin Co.
E. A. Watson, Carver Co.
Russell K. Wilson, Wabashaw, Wabashaw County.
Charles W. Smith, Monticello, Wright County.

By order of commander-in-Chief,
OSCAR MALMROS,
Adjutant General.

President Lincoln states that the rumor is incorrect that peace negotiations are to be resumed, and declares, that he will not allow any rebel commissioner to enter our lines unless he comes prepared to treat on the terms laid down in the conference in Hampton Roads.

Brown's Bronchial Trochies are known as an established remedy for Coughs, Colds, Bronchitis, Hoarseness and other troubles of the throat and Lungs. Their good reputation and extensive use have brought out imitations and similar preparations represented to be the same, which are generally injurious. Obtain only "known" Bronchial Trochies.

Soldiers. Attention! Pain, disease, and exposure, with a hot climate, muddy water and bad diet, will be unavoidable, but armed with HOLLOWAY'S PURIFYING PILLS you can endure all these and still retain good health.

If the reader of this notice cannot get a box of Pills or Ointment from the drug store in his place let him write to me 80 Maiden Lane, enclosing one cent and I will mail a box free of expense. Many dealers will not keep my medicines on hand because they cannot make much profit as on others make, 35 cents 88 cents and \$1.40 per box or pot.

TAKE NOTICE!
All those knowing themselves indebted to the late firm of McCormick and Taplin, or Mill account, will take notice that by agreement with said firm all such debts are to be paid to the undersigned.

14w4 ELISHA RHODES.

NEW GOODS!

JUST RECEIVED!

MOULTON & DEUDON.

Have received their

FALL & WINTER

Stock of Goods,

And ask attention of ANY THING at REASONABLE PRICES to give them a call.

We are determined not to be undersold by any house in Minnesota, and therefore invite the people of this State to call and examine.

Style & Quality

DRY GOODS

Consisting in part of POPLINS, MERINOS, PARASOLS, CLOTHS, ALPACAS, DELAINES, WOOL, PLAIDS, GINGHAMS, PRINTS, TABLE CLOTHS, CHAIRS, TOWELS, HOSIERY, BALMORALS, HOOPS, LADIES' & GENTS' GLOVES, HOODS, SUNDRIES, SCARVES, CLOTHS, CASSIMERES, TWEEDS, SATINETS, FLANNELS, SHIRTINGS, SHIRTS, TIES, TICKETS, AND DENIMS, &c., &c., &c., TOO NUMEROUS TO MENTION.

We have also a well selected assortment of

GROCERIES,

CROCKERY,

CLOTHING,

Boots and Shoes

HATS & CAPS,

Drugs,

And in fact everything usually found in a first class country store.

Our goods of all kinds have been carefully selected in the Eastern Market, and need but to be seen to be appreciated by good judges. The Ladies will please remember that it is a particular pleasure for us to show our goods. They will all be at our disposal either at QUALITY or at PRICE.

GIVE US A CALL!

Winnebago City, Minn., Oct. 26, 1865.

NOTICE

On this 21st day of February 1865, my son, John F. Dorman, left his home without any cause whatever, and I wish to inform the public that I do not hold myself responsible for any bargains said John F. Dorman may make.

GEORGE DORMAN.

Min. Lake, Feb. 24th.

Warranty Deeds, Chattel Mortgage, &c., &c., &c., for sale at this office.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the Commissioners on the Estate of Richard Chatfield, (deceased) of East Chain Lakes Minnesota, will hold a meeting at 9 o'clock A.M. on the 4th Wednesday of every month, at the house of the Hon. Judge of Probate, at Chain Lakes Centre, until all Claims are presented and adjusted according to law.

W. C. STRONG

Chairman of Board of Commissioners.

Blacksmithing

Will be done at the shop in this city hereafter promptly, and well done. Positively READY TO DO ANYTHING IN THE LINE OF BUSINESS.

Particular attention paid to HORSESHOEING, by HUNTINGTON & WISE.

Winnebago City, Feb. 7th 1865.

NEW GROCERY

STORE!!

EXEMPTION FROM HIGH

PRICES!!

The undersigned have opened a new Grocery Store in Winnebago City, and now offer to the public good things at extremely favorable terms. "Competition is the life of trade," and by strict attention to our business buying

TEA, COFFEE, SUGAR, MOLASSES, SPICES, NUTS, RAISINS, and every thing else usually kept in a Grocery Store cheap for cash, and selling them in the same way, we hope to merit our share of public patronage.

GIVE US A CALL!

NELSON & BURSIE. Feb. 13 1865

HOWARD ASSOCIATION.

PHILADELPHIA, PA.

Diseases of the Nervous, Seminal, Urinary and Sexual System—now and reliable treatment—in reports of the HOWARD ASSOCIATION—sent by mail in sealed letter envelopes, free of charge. Address, Dr. J. SKILLIN HOWARD, Howard Association, No. 2 South Ninth Street, Philadelphia, Pa. 2971

No. 7.

April & May.

THE HISTORY.

OF

HOSSETTER'S STOMACH BITTERS.

The most remarkable medicine of the day, and the many cures that have been performed with it in cases of Liver Complaint, Dyspepsia, Nervous Debility, and other diseases arising from a disordered stomach or liver, places it at once among the most astonishing discoveries that have taken place in the medical world. The diseases to which it is applicable are so universal that there are but few of our friends who may not test their virtue in their own families or circle of acquaintances and prove to their own satisfaction that there is at least one remedy among the many advertised medicines deserving the public confidence.

For sale by Druggists and dealers everywhere.

Im

FEMALES! FEMALES! FEMALES!

Use the Safe Pleasant Remedy known as HELMBOLD'S EXTRACT BUCHU.

For all Complaints instant to the sex. No family should be without it, and none will when once tried by them. It is used by Young and Old. In the decline or change of life, before and after Marriage, during and confinement, to strengthen the Nerves, restore Nature to its proper channel, and invigorate the Broken down Constitution from whatever cause originating.

USE NO MORE WORTHLESS PILLS!

Take

HELMOLD'S EXTRACT BUCHU.

See Advertisement in another column. Cut out, and send for it.

STOVES!

TIN, COPPER AND

Sheet Iron Ware

As Cheap as the Cheapest!

The undersigned would like to have the opportunity now to acknowledge the favor of the receipt and all respectfully say to his old patrons and all others that he is now receiving a new supply of

STOVES & STOCK

In addition, and will be better prepared than heretofore to supply them with a variety of

TIN, COPPER

SHEET IRON, JAPANNED

and Pressed Wares,

STOVES, PIPE

POLISH, &c.,

at prices as low as the times will admit.

Job Work and Repairing

will receive special and prompt attention.

R. E. ABBOTT.

Winnebago City, Oct. 28, 1865.

R. B. JOHNSON,

Manufacturer of

Boots & Shoes,

and dealer in

Leather and Findings

Repairing to order.

Ready Made Boys' and Youth's Footwear.

Corner Tolley and Moulton Streets,

Winnebago City, Minn.

D. BURDELL.

COUNTY SURVEYOR.

OF FAIRBANK COUNTY MINN.

RESIDENCE in Prescott township, and where the work is required to be done.

I am prepared at all times to lay out roads, town plots and in fact do all other work in the surveyor's line.

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HOSSETTER'S

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A pure and powerful tonic, corrector of wonderful efficacy in disease of the

Stomach, Liver and Bowels.

Cures Dyspepsia, Liver Complaint, Headache, General Debility, Nervousness, Depression of Spirits, Constipation, Colic, Intermittent Fevers, Cramps and Spasms, and all Complaints of either sex, arising from indolent Weakness, whether in the system or produced by special causes.

Nothing that is not wholesome, gentle and restorative in its nature, but the composition of HOSSETTER'S STOMACH BITTERS, this popular preparation contains no mineral of any kind, no deadly medicinal element; no fiery exhalant; but it is a combination of the extracts of rare balsamic herbs and plants with the purest and mildest of all diffusive stimulants.

It is well to be forewarned against disease, and so far as the human system can be protected by human means against maladies engendered by an unwholesome stomach, indigestion, and other external causes, HOSSETTER'S BITTERS may be relied on as a safeguard.

In districts infested with Fever and Ague, it has been found infallible as a preventive and irresistible as a remedy, and thousands who resort to it under apprehensions of attack, escape the scourge; and thousands who neglect to avail themselves of its protective qualities in advance, are cured by a very brief course of its use. It is a medicine, Fever and ague patients, after being supplied with quinine for months in vain, will fully acknowledge that it is not until they have taken HOSSETTER'S BITTERS that they are restored to health within a few days by the use of

Hossett's Bitters.

The weak stomach is rapidly invigorated and the appetite restored by this agreeable Tonic, and hence it cures indigestion in cases of Dyspepsia and in long continued forms of Indigestion. Acting as a gentle and palatable aperient, as well as upon the liver, it also invariably relieves the Constipation superinduced by irregular action of the digestive and secretory organs.

Persons afflicted with Bilious Colic, Nerve Pain, Low nervous System, and all the various ailments of the stomach and bowels, find prompt and permanent relief from the Bitters. The testimony on this point is most conclusive, and from both sexes.

The application of Bilious Colic is immediately assuaged by a single dose of the Bitters, and by occasionally resorting to it, the return of the complaint may be prevented.

As a General Tonic

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copies, 21 00

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GIVE HIM A TRIAL.

Mankato, March 16, 1864. 21yl

Fossil Remains.

In a paper addressed to the Academy of Science, M. Van Denden gives an account of certain human remains discovered by him in a grotto situated in the valley of the Lesse. The remains consisting of nearly complete skeletons, he considers as having been buried there by the waters during some great cataclysm. The grotto is situated at forty metres above the level of the Lesse. All the bones are dispersed in the mass of earth, the long bones always in horizontal position. A skull in perfect preservation was found under a stone embedded in stalagmites. The skull was half filled with stones not much smaller than occipital foramen, through which they had penetrated. In front of the cranium there was an omoplate, clavicles, ribs, long bones, vertebrae of children and adults. Bones were found grimly wedged in between stones so as to leave no intermediate space. Such effects, the author thinks, could only have been produced by water. In the midst of a solid bed of stones there was another cranium found, [the parietal bone of which was fractured. The bones situated where water could penetrate during the winter were either reduced to atoms or would fall to dust on being touched; the others were in a perfect state of preservation. These human bones were found together with those of bears (but not of the Ursus Spelaeus, being rather nearer to the present species), of oxen, horses, reindeer, beavers, several beasts of prey, birds, fish, (trout and pike), helices, and the Union Batavia, which still lives, together with helices of the immediate vicinity. Mixed up with these bones there were flints of the most imprimitive form, bits of coal, calcined bones looking as if they had just come out of the fire, and fragments of very old pottery.

There were some of the antlers of the reindeer, with marks upon them evidently made by human hands, but not forming any particular design. The ground where these remains were found presented no signs of having been disturbed, and there was no communication from without the grotto except by the entrance only. The skulls above alluded to denoted a well-developed human race.--Galignani's Messenger.

The New Capital of Italy.

Our readers will remember that the Italian parliament, in accordance with a provision in the convention with France, selected the city of Florence as the capital of the Kingdom of Italy--the arrangement to continue until the arrival of that bright day when Victor Emmanuel shall set up his throne on the hills of eternal Rome. The Parliament at the same time, voted a large sum of money to carry this law into effect, while the municipality of Florence voted a similar sum to put the town in a condition fit to wear its new honors worthy. Long lines of new streets have been laid out, and many old ones are to be widened and straightened. The beautiful city on the banks of the Arno--the city made glorious by its memories of Dante, the Medici, and a long series of illustrious names--is accordingly all bustle and activity. Strangers and speculators are arriving in such numbers as to have already raised the price of living. Workmen are busy in fitting up several of the splendid palaces and convent buildings which Florence possesses, for the use of the Parliament, and the various departments of the government. The King himself, good, honest, whole-souled sovereign as he is, will live in the Pitti Palace. The old hall of the Five Hundred, in the Palazzo Vecchio, so celebrated for its great associations with days of the Florentine Republic, will accommodate the popular branch of the Parliament. By this arrangement, Turin the present political metropolis of Italy will sink to a third rate town. The reasons for the change are the more central position of Florence, its nearness to Rome, and its distance from Austria, between which and Tuscany rises the lofty chain of the Apennines. The monarch and Parliament will take up their quarters in the capital on the first of May.

Women in Paraguay.

The author of the sketches in Paraguay gives us this fragrant morsel:--"Every body smokes in Paraguay, and every female above thirteen years of age chews. I am wrong. They do not chew but put tobacco in their mouths, keep it there constantly, except when eating, and instead of chewing, roll it about with their tongue and suck it. Only imagine yourself about to salute the rich red lips of a magnificent little Hebe, arrayed in satins and flashing in diamonds; she puts you back with one delicate hand, while with the fair taper fingers of the other she draws forth from her mouth a brownish black roll of tobacco, quite two inches long, looking like a large grub, and depositing the savory morsel on the rim of your sombrero, puts up her face and is ready for your salute. I have sometimes seen an over delicate foreigner turn with a shudder of loathing under such circumstances, and get the epithet of el salvaje (the savage) applied to him by the offended beauty for this sensitive squeamishness. However, one soon gets used to this, in Paraguay, where you are, perforce of custom, obliged to kiss every lady you are introduced to; and one-half you are really tempted enough to sander you reckless of consequences, and you would sip the dew of the proffered lips in the face of a tobacco battery, even the double distilled honey dew of old Virginia."

A celebrated song writer asked Douglas Jerrold, "Have you the confidence in me to lend me a guinea?" "Oh, yes," said Jerrold, "I've all the confidence, but I haven't the guinea!"

The Ins to Stay In, and the Cuts to Stay Out.

Washington Feb. 29.

It may be interesting to the many thousands who are anxious for the new deal of the federal pack, to know that in a conversation with an intimate personal friend, the President said pretty nearly these words a few days since: "I have made up my mind to make very few changes in the offices of my gift for the second term. The fact is, I think I will not remove a single man, except for a good and sufficient cause. It creates a great deal of dissatisfaction and grumbling to make changes. To remove a man is very easy, but when I undertake to fill his place, there are twenty applicants, and of these I must make nineteen enemies."

The public generally will indorse the above sentiment of Mr. Lincoln's and cordially support him in his determination to retain in office every man who has filled a position for four years faithfully and honestly. I know it will not suit the hungry office hunters, but that can't be helped. There are a good many men in and around Cincinnati who ought to profit by the contents of this paragraph, and save themselves the extra expense and inconvenience of a trip to Washington about the 4th of March. Fear assure them it won't pay to come here in pursuit of a chance at the public crib.--Cincinnati Commercial.

Never Too Old to Learn.

Socrates, at an extreme age learned to play on musical instruments.

Cato at eighty-eight years of age, thought proper to learn the Greek language.

Plutarch, when between seventy and eighty, commenced the study of Latin.

Bacacacio was thirty-five years of age when he commenced his studies in polite literature; yet he became one of the three great masters of the Tuscan dialect. Dante and Petrarch being the other two.

Sir Henry Spelman neglected the sciences in his youth, but commenced the study of them when he was between fifty and sixty years of age. After this time he became a most learned antiquarian and lawyer.

Colbert, the famous French minister at sixty years of age, returned to his Latin and law studies.

Ludovico, at the great age of one hundred and fifteen, wrote the memories of his own time. A singular exertion, noticed by Voltaire, who was himself one of the most remarkable instances of the progressing of age in new studies.

Ogilby, the translator of Homer and Virgil was unacquainted with Latin and Greek till he was past the age of fifty.

Franklin did not fully commence his philosophical pursuit till he had reached his fiftieth year.

Accorso, a great lawyer, being asked why he began the study of law so late, answered that indeed he began it late, but he could therefore master it the sooner.

Dryden, in his sixty eighth year, commenced the translation of the Iliad; and his most pleasing productions were written in his old age.

Cosy apparatus and splendid cabinets have no magical power to make scholars. In all circumstances a man is under God, the master of his own fortune, so is he the maker of his own mind. The Creator has so constituted the human intellect that it can only grow by its own action, and by its own action it must certainly and necessarily grow. Every man, must therefore; in an important sense, educate himself. His books and teachers are but help; the work is his. A man is not educated until he has the ability to summon in an act of emergency, all his mental powers in vigorous exercise to effect his proposed object. It is not the man who has seen most, or read most, who can do this; such a one is in danger of

being borne down like a beast of burden by an overloaded mass of other men's thoughts. Nor is the man who can boast merely of native vigor and capacity; the greatest of all the warriors that went to the siege of Troy had given him strength, not because he carried the largest bow, but because self-discipline had taught him how to bend it.

A Rich Story.

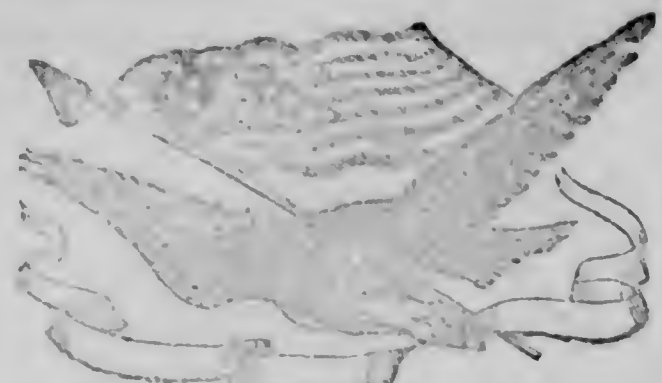
A Parkersburg (West Va.) paper says that several members of the legislature took the cars at Grafton, Va. on the evening of the 16th ult. for Wheeling, and among the number was Mr. G. of somewhat large proportions, physically, and a Mr. D., of proportional undersize. These two, the stalwart Mr. G. and the smooth-faced little Mr. D. took a berth together, together, it seems in a sleeping car. The little man laid behind, and the good-natured wagish Mr. G. before. Mr. D. was soon sleeping and snoring furiously. G. more restless under the legislative burthen, soon arose and was sitting by the stove, when an elderly lady came aboard and desired a sleeping berth. "All right madam," said G., "I took a berth with my son, and you can occupy my place in that berth where my little boy is sleeping. Taking G. at his word the lady disrobed and laid down with the boy. After a quiet repose of some time the boy, Mr. D. became restless from some cause, and began to kick around to the annoyance of the old lady. So in a maternal manner she patted the boy on the back and said: "Lie still sonny, pa said I might sleep with you." "H--! and the d--!" said a legislator; "who are you? I'm no boy! I'm a member of the West Virginia legislature!" It is said the old lady swooned, and could not be brought to fill D. promised that G. should be impeached. D. swears the thing shant rest so. What action the legislature will take to protect its own dignity remains to be seen.

A Pertinent Question.

Not long since a shrewd Yankee came to Boston from New Hampshire to engage in business. His first engagement was to drive hack for the accommodations of the visitors at that fashionable and elegant hotel, the Severe House. He was soon put in charge of two English gentlemen, who desired to see Boston and its environs. After a brief visit at the Navy Yard, they ordered the driver to take them to Banker Hill. Having satisfied their curiosity so far as the monument concerned, they returned to the hack, where they found the driver sitting quietly on his seat.

"I say driver," said one of the Englishmen "this

THE HOMESTEAD



WINNEBAGO CITY, MINN.
MARCH 1865.
H. W. BERRY, EDITOR.

One C. A. S. in the Mankato Union...
The C. A. S. in the Mankato Union...
The C. A. S. in the Mankato Union...

He is a rotten egg! His style shows...
He is a rotten egg! His style shows...
He is a rotten egg! His style shows...

Col. Averill has published an order...
Col. Averill has published an order...
Col. Averill has published an order...

In a sensible communication to the...
In a sensible communication to the...
In a sensible communication to the...

"Are we good enough to use bullets...
"Are we good enough to use bullets...
"Are we good enough to use bullets..."

Facts About the 7-30s—The Advantages they Offer.

THEIR ABSOLUTE SECURITY.—Nearly...
THEIR ABSOLUTE SECURITY.—Nearly...
THEIR ABSOLUTE SECURITY.—Nearly...

Its LIBERAL INTEREST.—The general...
Its LIBERAL INTEREST.—The general...
Its LIBERAL INTEREST.—The general...

It is CONVERTIBLE into a six per cent...
It is CONVERTIBLE into a six per cent...
It is CONVERTIBLE into a six per cent...

Its EXEMPTIONS FROM STATE OR M...
Its EXEMPTIONS FROM STATE OR M...
Its EXEMPTIONS FROM STATE OR M...

It is a NATIONAL SAVING BANK.—...
It is a NATIONAL SAVING BANK.—...
It is a NATIONAL SAVING BANK.—...

THE HIGHEST MOTIVE.—The war is...
THE HIGHEST MOTIVE.—The war is...
THE HIGHEST MOTIVE.—The war is...

"If Sherman takes many more...
"If Sherman takes many more...
"If Sherman takes many more..."

NEWS BY TELEGRAPH.

FROM SHERMAN.

New York March 2.

The World has the following addi...
The World has the following addi...
The World has the following addi...

When the Arago appeared off Charles...
When the Arago appeared off Charles...
When the Arago appeared off Charles...

The same messenger from Charleston...
The same messenger from Charleston...
The same messenger from Charleston...

It was also stated that a large amount...
It was also stated that a large amount...
It was also stated that a large amount...

The announcement was also made...
The announcement was also made...
The announcement was also made...

The Herald's correspondent says...
The Herald's correspondent says...
The Herald's correspondent says...

The Herald's Charleston dispatch...
The Herald's Charleston dispatch...
The Herald's Charleston dispatch...

All of Sherman's supply vessels had...
All of Sherman's supply vessels had...
All of Sherman's supply vessels had...

CHARLESTON.

OFFICIAL BULLETIN.

Reader, are you resolved to plant...
Reader, are you resolved to plant...
Reader, are you resolved to plant...

WAR DEPARTMENT.

WASHINGTON March 1.

To Maj. Gen. Dix:

The following telegram from Gen...
The following telegram from Gen...
The following telegram from Gen...

E. M. STANTON,

Secretary of War.

H. D. DIX, DEPT. OF THE SOUTH.

CHARLESTON, S. C. Feb. 26.

To Lieutenant Gen. U. S. Grant and

Gen. H. W. Halleck, Chief of Staff,

Washington:

An inspection of the rebel defenses...
An inspection of the rebel defenses...
An inspection of the rebel defenses...

Deserters report that the last of Har...
Deserters report that the last of Har...
Deserters report that the last of Har...

It is reported on similar authority...
It is reported on similar authority...
It is reported on similar authority...

George Town has been evacuated and...
George Town has been evacuated and...
George Town has been evacuated and...

Deserters are coming in constantly...
Deserters are coming in constantly...
Deserters are coming in constantly...

Q. A. GILMORE,

Maj. Gen. Commanding.

New York, March 6.

The Herald's Army of the Potomac...
The Herald's Army of the Potomac...
The Herald's Army of the Potomac...

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U. S. 7-30 LOAN

By authority of the Secretary of the Treasury...
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SEVEN-THIRTY LOAN.

These Notes are issued under date of August 15th...
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U. S. 5-20 Six per cent.
GOLD-BEARING BONDS

These bonds are now worth a premium of nine...
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POPULAR LOAN OF THE PEOPLE.

Less than \$250,000,000 remains unsold, which...
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It is a NATIONAL SAVING BANK, offering a...
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It is a NATIONAL SAVING BANK, offering a...

Convertable into a Six per cent.

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In addition to the very liberal interest on the...
In addition to the very liberal interest on the...
In addition to the very liberal interest on the...

Its Exemption from State or

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But aside from all the advantages we have...
But aside from all the advantages we have...
But aside from all the advantages we have...

First National Bank of St. Paul,

Second National Bank of St. Paul.

March 1, '65

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HOUGHTON, Howard Association Philadel-

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1875.

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MOULTON & DEUDON,

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Stock of Goods,

And ask all want of ANY THING at REASONABLE

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We are determined not to be undersold by any house

in Minnesota, and therefore invite the people of the Blue

Earth Valley to call and examine the

Style & Quality

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Consisting in part of: DOLLS, MEXICO, PARA-

MATTY, TURK CLOTHS, ALPACAS, DELAINE,

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GIVE US A CALL!

Winnebago City, Minn.,

Oct. 26, 1865.

TOWN MEETING.

Pursuant to the statute in such case...
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Winnebago City, Jan. 25, 1865.

R. B. JOHNSON,

Town Clerk.

U. S. 7-30 LOAN

The Secretary of the Treasury gives notice that...
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These notes will be convertible at the option of...
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Dry Goods and GROCERIES.

J. M. THOMPSON.

GARDEN CITY, MINN.

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WOULD respectfully announce to the people...
WOULD respectfully announce to the people...

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Can be bought in the State.

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Is prepared to do all kinds of work entrusted to him with promptness and dispatch.

All work warranted. Most kinds of country produce taken for work. Cutting done on short notice, and warranted to fit if properly made up.

Winnebago City Minn. Aug. 31st '64 44yl

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The undersigned would inform the citizens of Winnebago City that he has just opened a shop where he is prepared to do all kinds of blacksmithing at the very lowest living prices for ready pay.

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The proprietor of the Blue Earth Stage Line has recently placed upon the above route an Express Line, which affords facilities for carrying freight and money equal to any Company in the State, and is now prepared to do a general Express business from Mankato to Blue Earth City, and points intermediate, connecting with the American Express at Mankato, for all points in the East. THE EXPRESS Leaves Mankato on Mondays and Fridays. Leaves Blue Earth City on Tuesdays and Saturdays. THE STAGE Leaves Mankato Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. Leaves Blue Earth City, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays. The Proprietor guarantees satisfaction to all who may entrust business to him. Winnebago City, Jan. 1864. n13v2lf

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Nearly opposite the CLIFTON HOUSE

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Keeps constantly on hand everything in line

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.

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Manufacturer and Dealer in

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1000 Bushels of CORN at the Mill,

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Scales

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Be careful to buy only the genuine. 33yl

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The subscriber still keeps the above house,

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We have also a splendid assortment of

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Corner of FRONT & HICKORY sts

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Farmers of the Blue-Earth valley

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Where you can find every variety of

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BOOTS & SHOES

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WITH ALL THE LATEST STYLES OF READY MADE

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And in fact everything you will be likely to want, and at PRICES TO SUIT THE TIMES.

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GIVE HIM A TRIAL

Mankato, March 16, 1864. 21yl

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As Cheap as the Cheapest!

The undersigned would improve the opportunity now afforded to acknowledge the favors heretofore received and

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Winnebago City, Oct. 26, 1863.

Winnebago City

Flouring Mill!

The proprietor of this mill gives notice that at last he has got everything in running condition, and in tip top shape, and can from this time henceforth supply all demands on him for FLOUR, SHORTS, BRAN, CORN-MEAL, and all kinds of FEED.

14yl ELISHA RHODES,

COURTSHIP.

Will you marry me? said Henry Miller calmly, as he stood with his arms folded, "his altitude high above Mattie Green's curly head." Mattie, twining her blue ribbon sash round and round, was perplexed and provoked at such an unkind proposal. "I am so young Henry," faltered the girl; "Only sixteen you know, and I hardly know my own mind yet; it is ungenerous in you to press me so urgently. "Now Mattie, this won't do," said the young man resolutely detaining her by one firm hand. "Answer me plainly, yes or no." "No, then," pouted Mattie, her blue eyes flashing, and her cheeks rosy with flame. "Very well, just as you say Miss Mat," said Henry complacently. "On the whole, I'm much obliged to you for pronouncing that monosyllable so decidedly, you are very pretty, but I don't think you suit me exactly, you are a lovely blonde, but I think I should prefer brunette; and besides I can go off peacefully to the war now, without any encumbrance in the shape of an engagement. The medicine was hard to take, but I've no doubt it will do me good. Adieu Mattie--and I wish you a good husband." Off walked Henry, deeply regretting the course he had pursued and was soon to leave as duty called him. He ever would do the best he could to make her happy, even at the loss of all other friends. She never had a real lover before, but she was quite certain they never acted in this way, after a rejection she had fully calculated on his being unwilling to take her at her word. Why didn't he coax and implore, and review his entreaties? Slowly the months rolled by and Mattie grew quiet and thoughtful every day. The fair forehead was not less fair, the blue eyes shown through drooping lashes, Mattie had changed, but she was even more beautiful than ever.

"You will come to night, won't you Mattie? Henry Miller has promised to be there, 'tis his first appearance in this his native village," said Miss Gray. "Yes I'll come," said Mattie. If she was obliged to meet him the first sharp pang might as well be undergone now as ever.

As she entered Mrs. Gray's crowded parlor, the first her eyes fell upon was Henry Miller in his blue uniform. He was standing in the centre of a group of young people, and he did not even see her, Mattie leaned against the window playing with her pink fan. All of a sudden a hand was laid lightly upon her shoulder, she looked up into the brown depths of Henry Miller's eye. "Mattie, were you not going to speak to me?" Henry was not acquainted versed with eye language, yet, he read Mattie's glance instantly. "You have not forgotten me, then Nattie?" "For gotten you Henry?" She would have said more, but she hesitated. He was silent an instant and then spoke in a low tone: "Do you remember our last interview Mattie? do you remember I said I thanked you for the rejection my suit? Mattie I have changed my mind since then!" "So have I Henry."

He took her hands in his, saying with a brightened face, "I offer you my love a second time, will you accept it now?" He needed no answer save what he read in her blushing cheek and happy eyes. They both emphatically said yes. "What made you think I was worth two courtships Henry?" She asked long, afterward.

"Mattie," said he quietly, "when our regiment charged at Antietam, we were repulsed at first. We formed and charged again, the second time we bore off the laurels of the victory. I have carried the military lesson into the field of love. I was repulsed the first time, but charged again, an holding up a plain gold wedding ring, said, here is my sign of victory."

The same deeds o murder that East Tennessee has witnessed daily since the war commenced are still being executed. No man's life is safe an hour.

A Man Who Has Not Slept for Over Fourteen Years.

At present there is a soldier at the Chestnut Hill Military Hospital, who has not slept for a single moment for fourteen years and six months. This may seem incredible, but nevertheless it is true, and can be verified by numbers of persons. The individual is an intelligent man naturally, and has the benefit of a moderate education. His name is C. D. Saunders, orderly sergeant of Co. G. 13th Virginia volunteers. He entered the service of the United States on December 28th 1863. He is in the forty-fifth year of his age. His health has been general excellent during his life. In 1849 he was attacked with cholera, and since that period with lung fever on two occasions. In the summer of 1850, sleep forsook him, and since that time he has never felt the least drowsy. He has always led a temperate life. His wife and children reside in Putnam county, West Virginia. Since he entered the Union army he has been on several raids and four charges, during which time he informs us that he never felt tired nor sleepy. He was in the four charges made beyond Harper's Ferry, Va., on the 17th, 18th, 19th and 20th of last August, and yet he did not feel the least sleepy. Why it is that he cannot or does not get sleepy is as much a mystery to him as it is to many scientific gentlemen, who, having had their attention turned to him, have been astounded in their attempts to investigate the matter.

Upon one occasion, at his request, a number of curiously inclined gentlemen watched him for forty-two days and nights consecutively, in order if possible, to arrive at the cause of the wonderful phenomenon. The gentlemen took turns with each other in the progress of watching, so that if he should chance to sleep it would be observed. Some of the watchers became drowsy, and it was as much as he could do to awaken them.

This singular man was sent to Philadelphia, by order of the field surgeon. He was admitted into the hospital at Chestnut Hill on the 17th of November last, suffering from chronic diarrhoea and rheumatism. He has nearly recovered from his physical disability; his appetite is good but yet he does not sleep. He retires to bed the same as other soldiers, but he cannot sleep--he simply receives physical rest. This brief narrative of a most wonderful phenomenon may seem fabulous, but the reader is assured that this is the truth.

Bivens, the Murderer or his Wife, Father, and Mother.

D. F. Bivens, the poor wretch who deliberately murdered his wife, father, and mother, in Michigan, a few weeks ago, is an object of pity. The cool indifference with which he narrated the circumstances of his monstrous crimes, when first arrested, evinced a degree of insensibility rarely manifested in such cases; but it was thought that when he came to be left alone in prison, the sober "second thought" would in some degree, at least, awake him to a sense of his condition, and induce a bearing more becoming. This expectation, however seems to have been disappointed. Instead of occupying his mind with matters more suitable to his terrible condition, he seems to be studying and planning how he could make the most money out of the morbid curiosity created by his unparalleled crimes. To this end he advertises that he is engaged in getting out an autobiography, to include a full account of his life, all the circumstances of his murders, &c. It is reported that he has applied to Barnum to buy the clothing in which he murdered his parents and wife. We find in an Adrain paper a card signed by him warning the public against purchasing certain photographs of him, because he is getting out some "genuine ones, taken with the clothes he had on at the time of the murder." He also says he will soon have pictures of

both of his wives, and advertises for agents, etc., etc.

What could be more pitiable than a man like this? It that be not a case of "total depravity," it is difficult to conceive of one.--Toledo Blade.

RELIGIOUS INSANITY.

A man living in this city by the name of David Sumner, has recently become insane through religious excitement. He had been attending the Methodist revival meeting which are being held here. On Monday last his daughter, a married lady, who resides in Oakland came over to look after her father. He became calmer under her gentle ministrations, and yesterday the father and the daughter went out for a walk in the southern part of the city. They were walking along Townsend street near where the high bluff overhangs the bay, when Sumner was attacked by one of his wildest paroxysms, and catching his daughter, dragged her toward the cliff. She struggled violently in the arms of the maniac, but to no effect, and was precipitated over the verge of the cliff, the old man at once shouting "Glory to God! the work is done," &c.

The woman luckily fell on a spot of soft and yielding earth, which had but recently slid from the main portion. This fortunate circumstance probably saved her life, for the distance she fell was about sixty feet. She was picked up in a bruised and bleeding condition, but will probably get well. A policeman took Sumner in custody and placed him in prison. He was sent to the insane asylum at Stockton.--San Francisco Press.

Curious Indian Signs.

The Chippewa Indians profess to know that there will be a very high spring freshet this year, and that the summer and autumn months will be dryer than ever. Their "medicine man" has told them so, and bases his prognostications on the following curious sign: He says that the breast or "wish bone" of the wild geese, killed so far as he had an opportunity to examine them, presented the fact that the upper half of said bone was white, thus indicating heavy snows, while the lower half was very dark, foreboding remarkably dry weather. However, much scientific men may sneer at this method of defining the weather signs, one thing certain, that the whole Chippewa tribe place unqualified confidence in the prediction of their revered "medicine man." Recent advices from Lee Lake state the fact that there is now full three feet of snow at that locality, thus proving the first part of the prognostication true. Then why should not the last, and certainly the least welcome prove equally so.--State Atlas.

Advices from Columbus, Ohio, represent recruiting as very active. It is expected that Ohio will put more regiments into the field than authorized by the Secretary of War.

The Herald's Washington special says:

Sheridan has sent a force forward to ascertain if Lee is preparing to fall back to Lynchburg.

The mother of Mrs. Admiral Farragut died at Norfolk, Va., last week.

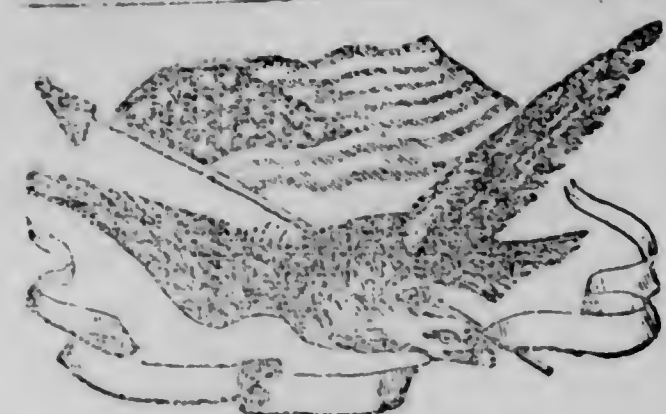
The Kentucky House of Representatives yesterday rejected the amendment of the Federal constitution by 28 majority.

An order has been issued for the organization of the 51st Wisconsin Regiment.

Little three year old Jennie was playing very roughly with the kitten--carrying it by the tail. Her mother told her that she would hurt pussy. "Why no, I won't" said she, "I'm carrying it by the handle!"

On a pretty girl's sayin to Leigh Hunt, "I'm very sad you see," he replied, "Oh, no, you belong to the other Jewish sect--you are very fair, I see!" Jewish sect--you are very fair, I see!" Jewish sect--you are very fair, I see!" S 7-30 notes.

THE HOMESTEAD



WINNEBAGO CITY, MINN.

MARCH 15 1865.

H. W. HOLLEN, Editor.

Just like Him!

We understand that Ex. Elder C. A. S. of Mankato is not only opposed to negroes voting but also to widows holding office. Mrs. Sibley of Mankato since the death of her husband who was Post Master at that place has performed the duties of the office. She is now a candidate for re-appointment, and probably there is not one being in Mankato could be found, mean enough to run against her, except this Ex. Elder. If our Mankato Republicans have any respect for themselves, they will not permit this Ex. Reverend to succeed in his attempt to beat a woman. Why don't you bat him Brother Slocum? Have you forgot the fan we boys used to have in old times throwing certain kind of eggs against the barn just to hear them "pop?"

A correspondent of the St. Paul "Press" pitches in to the Emigration essays for which prizes were awarded by a Board of Examiners appointed pursuant to an act of the Legislature approved March 4, 1864. The correspondent affords accusations the authors of these essays of stealing the matter from the books of one "statistic Joe," who several years ago by authority published what purported to be statistical information concerning Minnesota. This charge of plagiarism is of course unfounded for these essays are decidedly plain useful documents, while the books from which they are said to be stolen are a mass of incomprehensible stupidities.

A consolidation has taken place between the Cedar Valley and Transit Rail Road companies! The effect of this will probably be to indefinitely postpone the building of the Cedar Valley Road below Owatonna. Mower County like all the other counties in the Southern tier must look to the Southern Minnesota Road for an outlet.

Here is an item for those who are afraid of negro competition! Horrible isn't it?

Dr. Martin W. Delany, a full blooded African has been commissioned a Major of U. S. colored troops and ordered to report to Gen. Saxton.

Hon. Hugh McCullough of Indiana has been appointed Secretary of the Treasury.

The following is the Inaugural address of President Lincoln. It is brief and to the point.

Fellow Countrymen: At this second appearing to take the oath of the presidential office, there is no less occasion for an extended address than there was at the first time. A statement somewhat in detail of a course to be pursued seemed very fitting and proper. Now, at the expiration of four years, during which public declarations have been constantly called for on every point and phase of the great contest which still absorbs the attention and engrosses the energies of the nation, little that is new could be presented.

The progress of our arms, upon which all else chiefly depends, is as well known to the public as to myself, and it is I trust reasonably satisfactory and encouraging to all. With high hopes for the future, no prediction in regard to it was ventured on the occasion corresponding to this four years ago. All thoughts were anxiously directed to an impending civil war. While the inaugural address was being delivered from this place, devoted to saving the Union without war, insurgent agents were in the city seeking to destroy it without war; seeking to dissolve the Union and divide the effects by negotiation. Both parties deprecated war, but one of them would make war rather than let the nation survive and the other would accept war rather than let it perish. So the war came. One eighth of the whole population were colored slaves, not distributed generally over the union, but located in the southern part of it. These slaves constituted a peculiar interest

All know that this interest was some how the cause of this war to strengthen, perpetuate and extend this interest was the object for which the insurgents would rend the Union by war, while the government claimed no right to do more than to restrict the territorial enlargement of it. Neither party expected for the war the magnitude or the duration which it has already attained. Neither anticipated that the cause of the conflict might cease even before the conflict itself should cease. Each looked for an easier triumph, and a result less fundamental and astounding. Both read the same bible, and pray to the same God, and each invoke his aid against the other. It may seem strange that any man should dare to ask a just God's assistance in wringing his bread from the sweat of other men's faces, but let us judge not that we be not judged. The prayers of both should not be answered; that of neither has been answered fully; the Almighty has his own purposes. We are united to the world because of offences, for it must needs be that offences must come; but woe to that man by whom the offence cometh.

If we shall suppose that African slavery is one of these offences where in the providence of God must needs come, but which having continued through His appointed time He now wills to remove, and that he gives to both the North and South this terrible war as the woe due to those by whom the offence came, shall we discern there any departure from those divine attributes which the believers of a living God always ascribe to him. Fondly do we hope, fervently do we pray, that this mighty scourge of war may speedily pass away; yet if God wills that it continue until all the wealth piled by the bondsman's 250 years of unrequited toil shall be sunk, and until every drop of blood drawn with the lash shall be drawn with the sword, as was said 3,000 years ago, so still it must be. The judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether, with malice toward none, with charity to all. With firmness in the right, let us strive on to finish the work we are in— to bind up the National wounds, and pray for those who shall have borne the battles and for their widows and orphans; to do all which may achieve and cherish a just and lasting peace among ourselves, and with all nations.

ABRAHAM LINCOLN.

Interesting Questions and Answers relative to the 7-30 U. S. Loan.

Mr. Jay Cooke, of Philadelphia, who for so long a time had the management of the popular 500 million 5. 20. Loan, has just been appointed by Sec. Fessenden, the General Agent to dispose of the only popular Loan now offered for sale by the Government viz., the "SEVEN-THIRTY."

In entering upon his duties he desires to answer plainly the large number of questions daily and hourly propounded to him, so that his fellow-countrymen may all understand what this "Seven-Thirty Loan" is—what are its peculiar merits,—how they can subscribe for or obtain the notes, &c.

1st Question. Why is this Loan called the "Seven-Thirty" Loan?

Answer. It bears interest, in currency, at the rate of seven dollars and thirty cents, each year on every hundred dollars; making the interest as follows:

One cent per day on each \$50 note
Two " " " \$100 "
Ten " " " \$500 "
Twenty " " " \$1,000 "
One dollar " " \$5,000 "

2d Question. When and how can they be obtained?

Answer. They are for sale at par, and accrued interest, by all Sub-Treasurers, National and other Banks, and all Bankers and Brokers.

3d Question. When is the interest payable and how can it be collected?

Answer. The Coupons or Interest Tickets are due 15th of Feb. and 15th of August in each year and can be cut off from the note, and will be cashed by any Sub-Treasurer, U. S. Depository, National or other Bank or Banker.

Q. When must the Government pay off these 7-30s?

A. They are due in two years and a half from the 15th of Feb. 1865; viz. on the 15th of August 1867.

Q. Must I receive my money back so soon as 1867?

A. No! not unless you yourself prefer to do so—the Law gives you the right to demand from the Government, at the time, either your money or an

equal amount at par, of the famous popular 5-20 Gold Bearing 6 per cent. Loan.

Q. How much do you consider this price of conversion, into 5-20 Loan to be worth?

A. 5-20s bearing Gold Interest from 1st of November, are to day worth 9 per cent. premium. If they are worth no more at the end of the two years and a half, when you have a right to them than they now are, this premium added to the interest you receive, give you at least 10 per cent. per annum on your money—but the opinion is that they will be worth more than 9 per cent. premium at that time.

Q. What other advantage is there in investing in the 7-30 Loan?

A. It cannot be taxed by States, Counties, or Cities, and this adds from one to three per cent. per annum to the net income of the holder according to the rate of taxation in various localities. All bonds and stocks, except those of the United States, and all mortgages, &c. are taxed, not only by the Government, but by the States, Counties and Cities.

Q. How does the Government raise the money to pay the interest, and is it safe and sure?

A. The Government collects, by taxes, internal revenue, and duties on imports, fully three hundred millions each year. This is nearly three times as much as is needed to pay the interest on all the debt, and as soon as the war is ended, the amount not needed to pay the interest will be used in paying off the debt. Our Government has twice paid off its debt, and can easily do so again. The interest is sure to be paid promptly, and the debt itself is the very safest in the world. It is as safe as a mortgage on a good farm, and pays a better interest. It is in fact a First mortgage on all lands, all incomes, all railroad and canal bonds, and bank or other stocks mortgages &c.

Nothing can be safer, for we are all bound for it, and all that we have is firmly held for the payment of principal and interest. How foolish these people are, who keep their gold and greenbacks idle in locked up, or purchase mortgages or railroad stocks and bonds, which pay only 5 or 6 per cent. interest, when these Seven-Thirties pay (counting their premium on Five Twenties), over ten per cent, and are so much safer and surer.

Q. How many 7-30s are there, and how many remains unsold?

A. There are only about three hundred and twenty five million authorized by law, and only about one hundred and ninety millions remain unsold.

Q. How long will it take you to sell the balance?

A. There are about 800 National Banks all engaged in selling them; also a large number of the old banks, and at least three thousand private bankers and brokers, and special agents will be engaged in all parts of the country in disposing of them to the people.

Q. How long will it take to sell the whole?

A. In less than three months they will be all sold, and will no doubt then sell at a premium, as was the case with the old 7-30s, the first Twenty-year Loan and the 5-20.

The above questions and answers, it is believed, will give full information to all. If not, the General Subscription Agent or any of the Banks or Bankers employed to sell the loan, will be glad to answer all questions; and to furnish the 7-30s in small or large sums (as the notes are issued in denominations of \$50, \$500, \$1,000 and \$5,000,) and to render it easy for all to subscribe thus fulfilling the instructions of Mr. Fessenden, who earnestly desires that the people of the whole land, (as well as the capitalists,) shall have every opportunity afforded them of obtaining a portion of this most desirable investment. Let none delay, but subscribe at once through the nearest Responsible Bank or Banker.

"The coldest 'spell' of the season in this section was experienced last week. The mercury fell to the bottom and lay there several days."

"We are glad to chronicle the joyful intelligence that our Senior, who has been quite ill for some time past is yet in the land of the living and will we hope, be at our elbow ere another week rolls round."

The Tribune's Washington special says all the released prisoners are sent south to oppose Sherman, and they appear more enthusiastic and hopeful than those who have been in rebel camps all winter.

U. S. 7-30 LOAN

By authority of the Secretary of the Treasury, the undersigned has assumed the General Subscription Agency for the sale of United States Treasury Notes, bearing seven and three tenths per cent. interest, per annum, known as the SEVEN-THIRTY LOAN.

These Notes are issued under date of August 15th 1861, and are payable three years from that time, in currency, or are convertible at the option of the holder into

U. S. 5-20 Six per cent. GOLD-BEARING BONDS

These bonds are now worth a premium of nine per cent., including gold interest from November which makes the actual profit on the 7-30 loan, at current rates, including interest, about ten per cent. per annum, besides its exemption from STATE AND MUNICIPAL TAXATION, WHICH ADDS FROM ONE TO THREE PER CENT. MORE, according to the rate levied on other property. The interest is payable semi-annually by coupons attached to each note which may be cut off and sold to any bank or banker.

The interest amounts to

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| One cent per day on a \$50 note. |
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Notes of all the denominations named will be promptly furnished on the receipt of subscriptions. This is the

ONLY LOAN IN MARKET now offered by the Government, and it is confidently expected that its superior advantages will make it the great

POPULAR LOAN OF THE PEOPLE.

Less than 1,000,000,000 remains unsold, which will be disposed of within the next 60 or 90 days, the notes will undoubtedly command a premium, as has uniformly been the case on closing the subscriptions to other Loans.

In order that citizens of every town and section of the country may be afforded facilities for taking the loan, the National Banks, State Banks, and Private Bankers throughout the country have generally agreed to receive subscriptions at par. Subscribers will select their own agents in whom they have confidence, and who only are to be responsible for the delivery of the notes for which they receive orders.

JAY COOKE.

SUBSCRIPTION AGENT Philadelphia.

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TOWN MEETING.

Pursuant to the statute in such case as is provided, there will be a special Town Meeting of the legal voters of the Town of Winnebago City, held at Moulton's Hall at the village of Winnebago City, on Monday, the 6th day of February 1865, to vote upon a proposition to pay a bounty of \$400, to each person enlisting on or before the 15th day of February, 1865, to the credit of said town, under the last call of the President for 300,000 men. Said money to be raised by issuing Town Bonds payable in two years with 12 per cent. interest. The polls will be opened at said Hall in said village, commencing at nine o'clock in the morning and closing at five o'clock P. M. Winnebago City, Jan. 25, 1865.

R. B. JOHNSON,

Town Clerk.

U. S. 7-30 LOAN

The Secretary of the Treasury gives notice that subscriptions will be received for Coupon Treasury Notes payable three years from Aug. 15th 1864, semi-annual interest at the rate of seven and three-tenths per cent. per annum,—principal and interest both to be paid in lawful money. These notes will be convertible at the option of the holder at maturity, into six per cent. gold bearing bonds,—payable not less than five nor more than twenty years from their date, as the Government may elect. They will be issued in denominations of \$50, \$100, \$500, \$1000 and \$5,000, and all subscriptions must be for fifty dollars or some multiple of fifty dollars.

As the notes draw interest from August 15, persons making deposits subsequent to that date must pay the interest accrued from the date of note to date of deposit.

Special advantages of this Loan.

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Convertible into a Six per cent.

5-20 Gold Bond.

In addition to the very liberal interest on the notes for three years, this privilege of conversion so now worth about three per cent. per annum for the current rate for 5-20 Bonds it not less than nine per cent. premium, and before the war the premium on six per cent. U. S. stocks was over twenty per cent. It will be seen that the actual profit on this loan, at the present market rate, is not less than ten per cent. per annum.

Its Exemption from State or

Municipal Taxation.

But aside from all the advantages we have enumerated, a special act of Congress exempts all bonds and treasury notes from local Taxation. On the average, this exemption is worth about two per cent. per annum, according to the rate of taxation in various parts of the country.

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Always ahead in News

And foremost in the discussion of all subjects of
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for the material development of the State.

It is far more extensive and intelligent than
any other Newspaper published in Minnesota,
and better Local and Commercial Re-
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Is confessedly the Best Family Journal published
in the state—containing all the news of the
week, and the choicest Literary selections, Tales,
Poetry, Political Intelligence, Local news. Mar-
kets, &c.

The great advance in the cost of composition,
paper, and all the materials employed in the man-
ufacture of a newspaper, compelled a slight ad-
vance in our subscription price in August last;
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creased since then, we still adhere to the terms
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THE HOMESTEAD LAW.

AN ACT to secure homesteads to actual settlers
on the public domain.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of
Representatives of the United States in Con-
gress assembled, That any person who is the
head of a family, or who has arrived at the age
of twenty-one years, and is a citizen of the
United States, or who shall have filed his claim
of intention to become such, as required by
the naturalization laws of the United States, and
State Government or given aid and executed in
his own name, shall, from and after the first Janu-
ary eighteen hundred and sixty-three, be entitled to
unappropriated public lands, not exceeding in
area one quarter section or a less quantity of
land, which may be located in any of the public
lands, and after the expiration of the term of
years, or less, as hereinafter provided, shall be
subject to preemption at one dollar and twenty
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1yl1 C. S. KIMBALL.

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Will also pay Taxes, examine Titles, &c., for non-residents. Office one door South of U. S. Land Office.
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The undersigned would inform the citizens of Winnebago City that he has just opened a shop where he is prepared to do all kinds of blacksmithing at the very lowest living prices for ready pay.
18 ly BURDICK UNDERWOOD.

J. W. ELLIOTT, M. D.,
Graduate of the Blue Earth County, Minn.
Keeps a well-fitted, first-class Drug Store.

J. S. PERRY,

TAILOR;
Winnebago City Minnesota,
prepared to do all kinds of work entrusted to him with promptness and dispatch.

* All work warranted. Most kinds of country produce taken for work. Cutting done on short notice, and warranted to fit if properly made up.
Winnebago City Minn. Aug. 21st '64 2yl1

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Nearly opposite the CLIFTON HOUSE
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Keeps constantly on hand everything in his line WHOLESALE and RETAIL.
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WATCH & JEWELRY STORE.
The undersigned begs leave to inform the citizens of Winnebago and surrounding country, that he has taken rooms in the building occupied by Mr. WOLFEEN on DOOR ABOVE RECORD OFFICE for the purpose opening a

WATCH AND JEWELRY

ESTABLISHMENT.
Having had several years experience in one of the largest establishments in Philadelphia, I can assure the public that all work left in my charge will be executed in the neatest and most durable manner.
EDMUND HECKMAN, 2yl1 Dec. 4th, 1863
Mankato.

MANKATO INS. AGENCY.

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Losses equitably adjusted and promptly paid by
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THE STAGE Leaves Mankato Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.

Leaves Blue Earth City, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays.

The Proprietor guarantees satisfaction to all who may entrust business to him.
Winnebago City, Jan. 1864. n13 2yl1

Wanted! Wanted!!

1000 Bushels of CORN at the Mill, a Winnebago City Minn., for which the highest market will be paid.
McCORMICK & TAPLIN.

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Scales
OF ALL KINDS.

Also, Warehouse Trucks, Letter Presses, &c.
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Be careful to buy only the genuine. 33y

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JUST RECEIVED!

MOULTON & DEUDON,
Have received their

FALL & WINTER

Stock of Goods,
And ask all want of ANY THING at REASONABLE RATES to give them a call.

We are determined not to be undersold by any house in Minnesota, and therefore invite the people of the Blue Earth Valley to call and examine the

Style & Quality

of our
DRY GOODS

Consisting in part of: POPLINS, MERINOS, PARAMATTAS, TUDOR CLOTHS, ALPACAS, DELAINES, WOOL FLANNELS, GINGHAMS, PRIZES, TARTAN CLOTHS, CHAMBRAYS, TOWELS, HOSE, BALMORALS, HOOPSKIRTS, LADIES & GENTS' GLOVES, HOSIERS' SOFTS, NUBIAS, CLOTHS, CASSIMERS, TWEEDS, SATINETS, FLANNELS, SHEETING, SHIRTINGS, TIRKINS, AND DENIMS, &c., &c., &c., TOO NUMEROUS TO MENTION.

We have also a well-selected assortment of

GROCERIES

CROCKERY,
CLOTHING,
Boots and Shoes

HATS & CAPS,
Drugs,

And in fact everything usually found in a first class country store.

Our Goods of all kinds have been carefully selected, and we feel confident that they will be appreciated by our customers. The Ladies will please remember that it is a particular pleasure for us to show our goods. They will all be in season either as to QUALITY or as to PRICE.

GIVE US A CALL!
Winnebago City, Minn.,
Oct. 26, 1863.

Farmers of the Blue-Earth valley

when you come to Mankato, stop at

O. WARD'S

Where you can find every variety of

Dry Goods,
Hardware,
Groceries

BOOTS & SHOES

HATS & CAPS!
WITH ALL THE LATEST STYLES OF READY MADE

CLOTHING.

And in fact everything you will be likely to want, and at PRICES TO SUIT THE TIMES.

Try us when you come to town. If we can't suit you when you call on us, that will be our fault. If you, when you come to town, do not give us a chance to suit you that is your loss.

GIVE HIM A TRIAL!
Mar. 10, 1864. 2yl1

Winnebago City

Flouring Mill!

The proprietor of this mill gives notice that at last he has got everything in running condition, and in tip top shape, and can from this time henceforth supply all demands on him for FLOUR, SHORTS, BRAN, CORN MEAL, and all kinds of FEED.

14yl ELISHA RHODES.

TAKE NOTICE!

All those knowing themselves indebted to the late firm of McCormick and Taplin, or Mill account, will take notice that by agreement with said firm all such debts are to be paid to the undersigned.

14yl ELISHA RHODES.

Warranty Deeds, Chattel Mortgages &c., &c., &c., for sale at this office.

ARMY CORRESPONDENCE.

NASHVILLE, TENN.
March 3, 1865.

DEAR HOMESTEAD:
Fearing you would ere long be publishing us under the caption of lost, we have stolen a few moments to give you an inkling of our whereabouts, and doings since leaving our Western home.

To save time and space, I will say that in ten days from the time we left Winnebago we were known as Co. H. 1st Minn. Heavy Artillery, and on the 17th started for "De land ob cotton."

Up to this date we have met with no revers and but few accidents. While on the ice between Winona and La Crosse four of the sleighs broke through but nothing more serious than a good ducking in the Father of waters resulted from the accident. We had a rest of one day in La Crosse and then proceeded to Chicago where we again stopped for three days. Here the boys were given liberty to go where they pleased, and all enjoyed themselves finely.

Here, also, our first serious accident occurred. A private by the name of Henry Smith had a pistol which he was showing to Lieut. Wilson, when he accidentally discharged the piece, the ball passing through Smith's hand and striking the Lieut. on the side, passing through two coats but doing no further damage to Lieut. Wilson.

At this City the men of Co. H. made a display of generosity and respect to their Officers unsurpassed by any company that ever came under our notice.

When we all got to Chicago each commissioned Officer was presented with a beautiful sword, and to those who had not previously procured them a sash, belt, gloves and revolver, were added to the gift. I will not attempt to describe the scene during, and after the presentation. None of the Officers being professed orators a few remarks only were made by each, and at the close of each the boys gave three cheers for the one receiving the sword. It is needless for me to say that the Officers and men are on the best of terms, all striving to reach the good of one common end, viz., that of being the best company in the Regiment, and thus far they have been highly rewarded as they have received the name throughout the whole route as being the best behaved and best company, generally, that has passed through the various places along the road.

Monday the 28th of February the company again started on the march, arriving at Indianapolis Tuesday morning. Here we waited for transportation till eight o'clock in the evening, when we again proceeded to Louisville Ky. Here, about day-light on Tuesday we first put foot on rebel grounds.

Louisville is a beautiful City. The streets are generally clean and wide, and all well lined by beautiful shade trees. Every yard is filled with ornamental trees, which together with the green grass growing, look nice to us Minnesota boys. Yet all its grandeur and wealth is lighted with the fuel breath of traitors. The day we got to this City two guerrillas came into town, and went to one of the lively stables, presented their revolvers to the keepers and demanded two horses, after receiving which they decamped with their booty.

After staying in this City till one o'clock we left for Nashville arriving at said City about three o'clock on Wednesday morning. This is the worst place we have as yet come across. The City is quite a large one, and contains some very fine buildings, but is entirely destitute of cleanliness or order. The streets are narrow and dirty; every thing entirely behind the times, and the inhabitants a miserable set of beings. A mass life in this City, is not worth more than three cents, that being about the cost of the ammunition necessary to kill him. Hardly a day passes but from one to a dozen men are found dead on the sidewalks.

Yesterday morning three were found and this morning one, and one shot at but not hit.

There are plenty of traitors here, many of whom freely speak their senti-

ments. The whole City ought to be laid in ruins, and then rebuilt by at least a human race of beings.

The soil thus far is perfectly worthless, or at least would be considered so by Minnesotians. The building in which we are now quartered, covers one acre of ground and is five stories high, and 14 feet between floors.

It was built, at least so far as it is built, by Zollcoffer, and intended for a hotel. It contains 365 small rooms and 365 windows, one for each day in the year, and 12 large rooms one for each month in the year, and at present contains about 7000 soldiers. The force of the City numbers about 10,000, and a continued stream journey through it for the South.

We expect to leave this place for Chattanooga in a few days.

But I fear I am tiring your patience, as well as occupying too much of your space, and accordingly close. I will try to keep you posted on all our doings as we go along. For this time we will bid you adieu.

A SOLDIER.

The Ocean Bottom.

Mr. Green the famous diver, tells singular stories of his adventures when making search in the deep waters of the ocean. He gives some new sketches of what he saw at the "Silver Bank" near Hayti:

"The banks of the coral on which my divers were made are about forty miles in length, and from ten to twenty miles in breadth. On this bank of coral is presented to the diver one of the most beautiful and sublime scenes the eye ever beheld. The water varies from ten to one hundred feet in depth, and is so clear that the diver can see from two to three hundred feet, when submerged with but little obstruction to the sight.

The bottom of the ocean in many places is as smooth as a marble floor, while in others it is studded with coral columns from ten to one hundred feet in height, and from one to eighty feet in diameter. The tops of these more lofty, support a myriad of pyramidal pedants, each forming a myriad more, giving the reality to the imaginary abode of some water nymph. In other places the pedants from arch after arch, and as the diver stands on the bottom of the ocean and gazes through in the deep winding avenue, he finds they fill him with as sacred an awe as if he were in some old cathedral, which had long been buried beneath a sea of ocean's wave. Here and there the coral extends even to the surface of the water, as if the loftier towers belong to these stately temples that are now in ruins.

There were countless varieties of diminutive trees, shrubs and plants in every crevice of the corals where the water had deposited the earth. They were all of a faint hue, owing to the pale light they received, although of every shade, and entirely different from plants that I am familiar with that vegetate on dry land. One in particular attracted my attention; it resembled a sea fan of immense size, of various great colors and the most brilliant hue. The fish inhabit those "Silver Banks," I found as different in kind as the scenery was varied. They were of all forms, colors, and sizes--from the symmetrical goby to the globe like sun fish, from those of the darkest hue to the changeable dolphin; from the harmless minnow to the voracious shark.

Some had heads like squirrels, others like cats and dogs, one of the small size resembled the bull terrier. Some darted through the water like meteors, while others could scarcely be seen to move. To enumerate and explain all the various kinds of fish I beheld while driving on these planks, would require more than a naturalist to do so, require more than my limits would allow, for I am convinced most of the kinds of fish which inhabit the tropical seas, can be found there. The sunfish, sawfish, white shark, blue or shovel nose shark, were often seen.

There were also fish which resembled plants, and remained as fixed in the po-

sition as a shrub; the only power which they possess is to open and shut their mouths when in danger. Some of them resembled the rose whe in full bloom, and were of all colors. There were the ribbon fish, from four or five inches to three feet long, their eyes are very large, and protrude as those of a frog.

Another fish was spotted like a leopard, from three to ten feet in length. They build their houses like beavers, in which they spawn, and the male or the female watches the egg until it hatches. I also saw many specimens of the green turtle, some of them five feet long, which I should think would weigh from 100 to 500 pounds.

The Old Man of Wisconsin.

The Wisconsin story about a man one hundred and thirty years old, now living in that State, has been noticed. The Madison Journal publishes additional evidence to show that his age is as great as it was represented. It says:

"We have a further item of testimony to add in support of the extreme old age of Mr. Crede. A few weeks since, Mr. A. W. Brisbois, of Prairie du Chien, U. S. Assessor of the Third District, was in our office, and happened to speak of the remarkable longevity of Crede. Mr. Brisbois belongs to one of the old French families of the Northwest and was born in this State. He is one of the younger members of a large family of children, and must be now in the vicinity of sixty years of age. He stated that since a child he has known Crede, and that the latter as he has often heard mentioned in the family, carried Brisbois's grandmother, then an infant, to church in his arms to be christened. That incident occurred considerably over a hundred years ago."--St. Paul Pioneer.

HORRIBLE AFFAIR.

A sad affair happened on Tuesday evening, about half past five o'clock, at the corner of Abbott and Eighth street where a boy about fourteen years old, named Samuel Kingston, was shot and instantly killed by his brother, George Kingston, aged about seventeen.

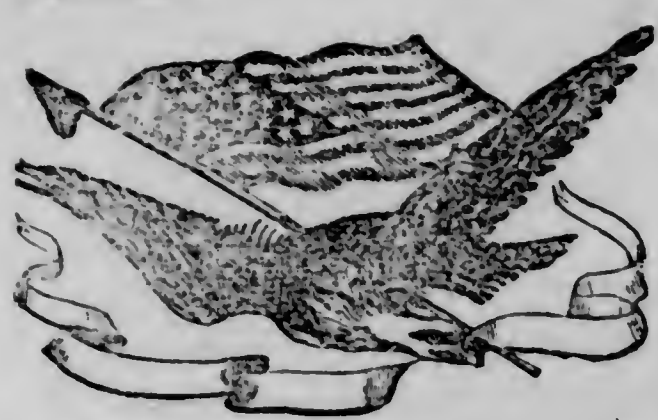
It seems that the two boys had been playing together in the back yard, when some dispute arose between them. The older one had been beating his brother and chasing him around the yard, when the younger ran into the back kitchen, and told his brother he must let him alone. The other drew a pistol from his pocket, placed it against the head of his brother a little behind and above the left ear and fired. His brains were scattered about the room. He fell to the floor, and neither stirred or spoke again.--Detroit Free Press, 2d.

Gov. William Cannon died on the 1st inst., after a short illness, of typhoid fever. He was a man of sterling worth, thorough loyalty, and of unflinching integrity of character. His influence over the affairs of Delaware has been great, and his efforts to keep the state on the right track, opposed as he was by a legislature devoted to the interests of slavery and strongly inclined with secession, were so successful as to reflect high honor upon him as a public man.

In 1789, when Washington passed through Philadelphia just before his inauguration as first president of the United States, he asked Robert Morris the patriotic financier of the age, how the government could take care of the debt of \$75,000,000. Mr. Morris told him to consult with his aid de camp, Col. Hamilton. The result was that Alexander Hamilton became secretary of the treasury, and the debt was paid. In 1816 the debt amounted to \$127,000,000 and in nineteen years it was paid off, and a large surplus remaining in the treasury. All this was accomplished without any direct tax upon the people.

A West m editor wants to know what's to become of the woman if muslin goes up much higher? Our devil thinks the result will be that they'll turn out a poor shuffling set.

THE HOMESTEAD



WINNEBAGO CITY, MINN.
MARCH 22, 1865.

H. W. HOLLEY, Editor.

The Wilton "News" gives, as its reason why negroes should not be permitted to vote in this State, "that they should not be allowed to mix, mingle and amalgamate with white people. We do not know but the Editor of that paper really believes that permitting a person to vote, is in effect a compulsory process upon every body else, to mix blood with said voter upon the first opportunity. This at any rate is the logic of his argument. It is the silliest kind of twaddle, re-produced from old pro-slavery Democratic text books. It is the same argument that tried to put down Anti-Slavery principles in the beginning! It is the same argument that tried to prevent the Emancipation Proclamation; it is the same argument that tried to prevent making soldiers of negroes; And now at this late day, having failed to put down anti-slavery doctrines; having failed to prevent Emancipation; having failed to keep negroes from fighting in the army, it now raises the same wail over the proposition to let negroes vote. This evidently is the last ditch where these champions of prejudice propose to fight their last battle. It is eminently proper too, that in this last ditch fight, the ignorance of the old Democratic organization should be marshalled with the unprincipled ruff of the Republican party, who have been blasting for years on our side, simply for test, nothing more. While such enlightened and ardent Democrats as Ripley and Armstrong and a host of others throughout the State, come up to the requirements of the times, and cordially grant the negro privileges he is nobly earning for his race on the battle-fields of his country, we can well afford to lose from our party organization all that kind of Republicans, who dare not advocate what is right for fear of losing influence in some unlovely pro-slavery hole like St. Mary's "the jabbers."

But the "News" man gives us his creed as follows:

"I believe in freeing the negro; I believe in giving him all his rights; it is an easy matter to colonize them."

We ask the Editor of the "News" where he gets his right to colonize a free man of the American Republic; where he gets his power to say that one free man may not take a Homestead if he chooses, as well as another.

By the Emancipation proclamation, all negroes in certain districts became (if they were not before) citizens of the United States. Can one class of American citizens expel from the country another class? Of course if the majority choose, they may debar them from voting; the same as women and children, but to drive them from their country cannot legally be done. Yet this is colonization.

The "News" closes its article by sneering at what the negroes have done for themselves in this war. With one hundred thousand of their number now in the field, fighting for the Government, perhaps this sneer is what they deserve! We think not! On the contrary we think as a race, they have done infinitely more for the country than that class of citizens who most applaud such articles as this in the "News" against them. Half the "stock in trade" of the really unlovely of the country, is abuse of the negro and lamentations over probable amalgamation. The "News" Editor has certainly trained long enough in Republican ranks to know how to oppose negro suffrage without becoming simply a parrot to echo the old time wail of the pro-slavery Democracy. If he has no other argument but such cant as he has learned from pro-slaveryists about amalgamation, he is the last man in the world that should fear a cross, even with negro stock. A Republican whose blood is as thin as such an argument proves it to be, no doubt, would be mentally improved by the very amalgamation he seems to dread.

One of Capt. SEE's Deputy Marshals, out in Waseca County, thus wails over the Capt's removal:

"We think, however, that turning off experience and ability for unexperience and untied ability, will be an injury to the department. In point of ability and dispatch of business the old board will not be excelled."

This is the first time we ever heard of a deputy for a "wail" called "ability." But hear our Deputy mourn:

"It needs but little wisdom to foresee that an entire new board, with new clerks, all unacquainted with the complicated and perplexing business of the office, will come to a dead halt, and 'run the thing in the ground'."

We don't know about "all" the clerks of the old board, but if the Clerk Gluck was a fair specimen of the old clerks, Capt. Allen can get more efficient ones turned out of bass wood, by any cabinet shop in Rochester, in fifteen minutes.

The late Deputy thus "wades in" on somebody at Washington, who did the job for his employer:

"We do not 'know' who is shuffling the 'political deck' at this critical juncture of the draft proceedings but it must be some one endowed with a small amount of discretion."

We did not suppose the "draft" was in such a "critical" condition, but if it is, we would suggest to this angry Deputy the propriety of having the late lamented Dr. Mayo give it a "private examination." For "Five Dollars," he would, no doubt give it immediate relief. Finally here is a classic dig at "the author of all our woes":

"His removal is no doubt the work of a political monkey, whose unnatural ascension has, or will in a short time, expose his nature."

Whether this is a drive at Old Abe, Gen. Fry or Col. Ayer, is still a secret with the Deputy. But probably if anybody is hit by this piercing thrust, his death will be, in due time, announced.

Old Ben. Butler, who has done more than any other man, during this war, to break down the unjust prejudice against the negro, thus spoke in Boston the other day about his right to vote:

"By the final passage of the amendment which we celebrate, every negro slave becomes a citizen of the United States, entitled as of right to every political and legal immunity and privilege which belongs to the great franchise. He may well say, 'I am an American citizen.' If he may not proudly proclaim with the Apostle 'I was free born?' yet he can truly claim as did the chief captain, 'With a good conscience obtained I this freedom.' With these rights, or either of them, no man nor combination or confederation of men, can with justice, deprive the negro. As of a nation he is of us, with us and a part of us; equal in rights under the law. To the men of Massachusetts, in this so clear and self-evident proposition, there seems no difficulty. Since 1789, the colored man in Massachusetts under the laws thereof, modified only by the laws of the United States, has enjoyed the rights and privileges of every other citizen of Massachusetts. The child goes to the same school. The man partakes of the same employment. The same learned professions—medicine—the bar—the pulpit—are open to him; and more than all, he carries to the election of his rulers and framing of the laws the equal ballot, which

Like the snow flake on the sod
Exercises the freeman's will
As lightning exercises the will of God."

In other sections of the country, the mind warped and twisted by the influence of the system of slavery—whose funeral obsequies we are now attending—does not at once comprehend these truths, and admit the force of the inexorable logic of Equal Rights."

As there has been a good many apologies made in the paper, for absence of reading matter, owing to the illness of the Editor, we would say that we are about able to place our shoulder to the wheel, which will probably, to some extent, accelerate the speed of the "masheen."

On passing through the South eastern part of the State, we made note of a few items, which may be of some interest to our readers: commencing with the village of Chaffield. The mind of the people thereabouts seems considerably agitated in regard to the S. M. Railroad, and it is generally conceded that unless the Co., make it a point it will eventually collapse, and like Babylon, Thebes, and other cities of antiquity, will be numbered among the things that were. It certainly equals any other village in Southern Minn., as regards its timber and water-power, and with an eastern communication, would make a large manufacturing town.

The next place that lay on our route was the lively city of Rochester, which at present, is the terminus of the M. C. R. R., doing a large amount of business, and no doubt, experiencing its halcyon days. We also had the pleasure of gazing on the illustrious "phiz" of Col. De Graff and several other railroad dignitaries, who seem to be growing fat over the proceeds of the Minnesota Central, which amounted to over six thousand dollars, for the Month of January, for passengers alone. We here took the stage for Wilton, arriving in good time. Stopped with the gentlemanly landlord, Mr. Lang, and to make a "Long story" short, took the overland route, via Minnesota Lake, for the purpose of taking a view of the country, contemplating the building of a railroad through here some day or— or boring for oil.

Ex-Elder Stine in another amalgamation article in the last "Union" says "that the Republican party has its share of intelligence."

Yes and its share of ignorance also, as long as the Ex-Elder remains in it.

WAR NEWS.

The war news are rather meager just at present, but we have enough to convince us that "All is well."

Sherman is marching in triumph to Richmond, having fought no battles since leaving Savannah. The rebel army are tottering along in his front, cheerfully performing the duty of an escort.

Seaford gave Bragg a sound thrashing near Kingston, N. C., and the old fellow hasn't "bragged" much since.

Early has lately had another "Phil." and will not probably need any more at present. Sheridan's late raid is tho't to be the greatest of the war, severing Lee's communications, and making his further occupation of the Rebel capital one of great danger.

It looks now like that day, great day, when the rebellion shall be crushed, and peace dawn, is near at hand.

NEWS ITEMS.

Frauds to the amount of half a million, in the supply of hay to the Government, have been discovered at Olathe, Kansas.

A secesh woman at Newton, Va., has papered her kitchen with greenbacks which she received from Union soldiers last summer for pies.

The monumental marble over the grave of Calhoun in Charleston, has been broken by a shell from a federal battery.

A private letter from Paris says that George B. McClellan still has his cards printed "Major General McClellan."

For the first time in the history of the State, a negro testified against a white man in the Recorder's Court of St. Louis last week.

The following order, "verbatim et literatim," is said to have been received by an undertaker from an afflicted widower:

"Sir: My wife is dead and wants to be buried tomorrow. At Wm. clock, I would wait to dig the hole—by the side of my other two wails—N.B. Let it be deep."

Maj. Gen. Pope has disapproved the application of Gov. Miller for permission to raise two companies of Chippewa Indians for service in the southern Department.

An English paper advertises "a piano for sale by a lady about to cross the Channel in an oak case with carved legs."

A Good Retort.—When Fort Sumpter was captured, some Charleston paper flung out this taunt:

"With mortar, paixan and petard, We tender Abe our best regard."

Whereupon the Providence Journal now retorts:

"They've left us mortar, paixan and petard, Why don't they leave their best regard?"

Chief Justice Chase, in a speech before the Freedman's Relief Society at Washington, declared for negro suffrage, and also for education as preliminary and preparatory to it.

John D. Fox, father of the spirit-rapping Fox girls, lately died in Wayne county, New York, aged 76. Mr. Fox was never carried away by spiritualism but lived and died a devout Methodist.

It is said that in Michigan, notwithstanding the drain upon the male population, caused by the war, the men largely outnumbered the women.

An experiment has been made on the New York Central Railroad by using peat instead of coal. The result was highly satisfactory. The usual amount of fuel consumed by coal burning engines is a ton to every twenty miles, but in this instance only half a ton was consumed.

U. S. 7-30 LOAN.

By authority of the Secretary of the Treasury, the undersigned has assumed the General Subscription Agency for the sale of United States Treasury Notes, bearing seven and three tenths per cent, interest, per annum, known as the

SEVEN-THIRTY LOAN.

These Notes are issued under date of August 15th 1864, and are payable three years from that time, in currency, or are convertible at the option of the holder into

U. S. 5-20 Six per cent. GOLD-BEARING BONDS

These bonds are now worth a premium of nine per cent, including gold interest from November

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TOWN MEETING.

Pursuant to the statute in such case as a

special Town Meeting of the legal voters of the Town of Winnebago City,

held at Moulton's Hall at the village of Winnebago City, on Monday, the 6th

day of February 1865, to vote upon a proposition to pay a bounty of \$400, to

each person enlisting on or before the 15th day of February, 1865, to the credit of said town, under the last call of the President for 300,000 men. Said

money to be raised by issuing Town Bonds payable in two years with 12

per cent. interest. The polls will be opened at said Hall in said village, commencing at nine o'clock in the morning and closing at five o'clock P. M.

Winnebago City, Jan. 25, 1865.

R. B. JOHNSON.

Town Clerk.

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U.S. 7-30 LOAN

The Secretary of the Treasury gives notice that

subscriptions will be received for Coupon Treasury Notes payable three years from Aug. 15th 1864,

semi annual interest at the rate of seven and three-tenths per cent, per annum,—principal and interest both to be paid in lawful money.

These notes will be convertible at the option of the holder at maturity, into six per cent. gold bearing bonds, payable not less than five nor more than twenty years from their date, as the Government may elect. They will be issued in denominations of \$50, \$100, \$500, \$1,000 and \$5,000, and all subscriptions must be for fifty dollars or some multiple of fifty dollars.

As the notes draw interest from August 15, persons making deposits subsequent to that date must pay the interest accrued from the date of note to date of deposit.

Special advantages of this Loan.

It is a NATIONAL SAVINGS BANK, offering a higher rate of interest than any other and the BEST SECURITY. Any savings bank which pays its depositors in U. S. Notes, considers that it is paying in the best circulating medium of the country, and it cannot pay in anything better, for its own assets are either in government securities or in notes or bonds payable in government paper.

Convertible into a Six per cent.

5-20 Gold Bond.

In addition to the very liberal interest on the notes for three years, this privilege of conversion is now worth about three per cent. per annum for the current rate for 5-20 Bonds if not less than nine per cent. premium, and before the war the premium on six per cent. U. S. stocks was over twenty per cent. It will be seen that the actual profit on this loan, at the present market rate, is not less than ten per cent. per annum.

Its Exemption from State or Municipal Taxation.

But aside from all the advantages we have enumerated, a special act of Congress exempted all bonds and treasury notes from local taxation. On the average, this exemption is worth about two per cent. per annum, according to the rate of taxation in various parts of the country.

It is believed that no securities offer so great inducements to lenders as those issued by the Government. In all other forms of indebtedness, the faith or ability of private parties, or stock companies, or separate communities, only, is pledged for payment, while the whole property of the country is held to secure the discharge of all the obligations of the United States.

Subscriptions will be received by the Treasurer of the United States, at Washington, the several Assistant Treasurers and designated Depositories, and by the

First National Bank of St Paul

and by all National Banks which are depositories of public money, and

ALL RESPECTABLE BANKS AND BANKERS throughout the country will give further information and AFFORD EVERY FACILITY TO SUBSCRIBERS.

October 26, 1864. n32a2

Winnebago City

Flouring Mill!

The proprietor of this mill gives notice that at last he has got everything in running condition, and in tip top shape, and can from this time hence forth supply all demands on him for FLOUR, SHORTS, BRAN, CORN-MEAL, and all kinds of FEED.

14w1 ELISHA RHODES,

GREAT REDUCTION IN PRICES!!

—CALL IN—

One Door South of U. S. Land Office

WINNEBAGO CITY,

Where the Subscriber offers for sale a large and well selected stock of

DRY GOODS.

READY MADE CLOTHING,

BOOTS AND SHOES,

Clocks, Looking-glasses, Stationery,

ALSO MANUFACTURER OF

Custom Boots and Shoes,

And Dealer in

Leather and Findings

14w1 R. B. JOHNSON,

Warranty Deeds, Chattel Mortgages, &c., &c., for sale at this office.

NEW GOODS!

Just received, a new and complete assortment of Fall and Winter Goods, consisting in part, of

DRY GOODS

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Proceries.

J. M. THOMPSON.

GARDEN CITY, MINN.

WOULD respectfully announce to the people of Faribault and Blue Earth counties, that he has just received a large assortment of Goods for

FALL & WINTER!

SUCH AS—

Prints, Shawls,

De Laines, Boots & Shoes,

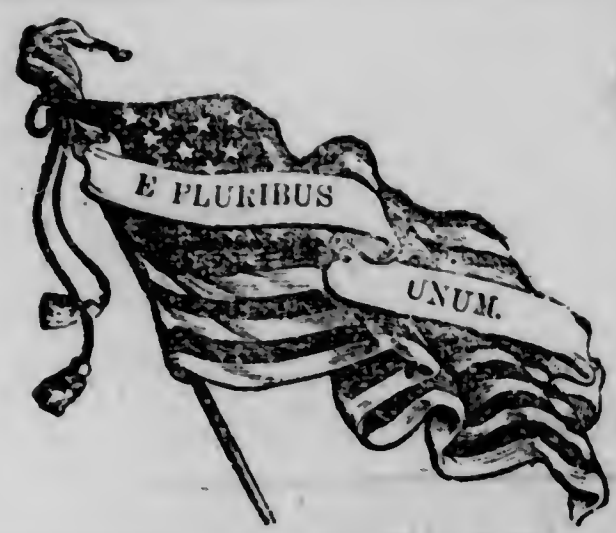
Denims, wool Yarn,

Brown Sheetting, Cod Fish,

Bleach'd Sheet'g, Mackerel,

Whitewater City, Minn. 1903

THE HOMESTEAD



WINNEBAGO CITY, MINN.
MARCH 29. 1865.

H. W. HOLLEY Editor.

A New Order of Things.

The old poet says, "Coming events cast their shadow before," which is illustrated in the recent panic among gold-diggers, shoddyites, and a whole catalogue of harpies generally, who have preyed upon the vitals of the people for the last four years without stint or mercy. They have seen the "shadow" in the shape of Sherman's triumphant strides towards Richmond, and the utter discomfiture of the rebel cause, hence this panic, which a New York paper says, "has no parallel in the commercial history of our city." The people rejoice at the grief of these extortionists, who would compel them to resort to fig leaves for clothing, if it were possible, and welcome the good tidings of their demise, not caring a Continental penny whether they are ever resurrected in this world or the next to come.

Better times are coming! We begin to realize it at present, to some extent, but it will be quite a while before they approach anything like those of yore. This monopoly and rebel strongholds have to be stormed first, but the day is not far distant when it all shall be accomplished—that day when an honest man can say that his soul is his own, and not owned in part by Shylocks who would try to pay the devil what they owe him in this precious coin.

But we venture to say that there is not a Provost Marshall's office in the West where business has been done more correctly than in the First District of Minnesota. People over the District, as far as we can learn, feel indignant at the political knaves who have brought it about.—Rochester Republican.

The "people," who "feel indignant," may be classified thus; 1st, the Board and its Deputies; 2nd, the crowd, who for, from five, to one hundred dollars, had procured Exemption Papers, and now have to go back on the roll! Of course, this people are indignant! Paying for elder, and then not getting any, is of course trying to the temper.

Brother MITCHELL, of the Rochester "Republican," complains that we were dissatisfied with the old Enrolling Board, because we did not help to manufacture them. We have never had much to do with manufacturing officials any way, but if we had assisted in the manufacture of such a board as the one referred to, we must have had a hard conscience if we did not pray God to forgive us the sin of furnishing the Government "shoddy" instead of a genuine article.

Our readers will see that W. J. C. and the Central Republican have opened a heavy fire upon the Editor of the News in regard to the question of Suffrage. If they think that personal allusions to us or our children are arguments in their favor, we shall not object to their use.—Wilton News.

The "personal allusions" referred to are just about such convincing arguments as you use when you say that when two men vote together, their children therefore are compelled to marry each other.

Capt. Webber, who was appointed Commissioner to remove the snags from the Minnesota river, has almost finished his work. He took out in the distance of fourteen miles, 2,500 snags. It would have puzzled a sucker to run up this stream this spring had the rubbish not been removed therefrom. We may expect to receive some benefit from this well calculated move.

Hon. D. Blakely Secretary of this State has been appointed (so says the Pioneer), Collector of Internal Revenue in 1st District in place of J. N. Hall Esq. of Mankato.

We hear it rumored that Blakely will be the opposition candidate to Governor Miller in our next convention.

Drafting commenced in New York City on the 15th, and proceeded quickly.

Brows, of the Fairbault "Republican," is some on compliments! Referring to Gov. Miller, he says, "In view of his tender-heartedness, gentleness, and modesty, &c., we have often thought that he ought to have been a woman."

The usual quiet of our town was disturbed on Thursday last by the cry of fire. It seemed a straw stable of Mr. Side had caught from sparks from the chimney of his house, and was soon beyond the reach of the indefatigable efforts of the fire Department. The worst of all the fire communicated to his hay stack and destroyed that, and also a horse belonging to a Mr. Franklin, who having a few moments before the fire broke out, come to town, had placed his horse in the stable until he should get ready to go home.

The horse was worth about \$40, the hay \$12, and the stable nothing. No insurance.

CORRESPONDENCE.

BANNOCK CITY,
Feb. 24 1865.

PUBLISHERS OF HOMESTEAD:—Thinking a few words in regard to matters in this far Western country might be of some interest to your readers, I will drop you a line which will inform you of the prosperity of the same.

I have already been here fourteen months, and expect to remain here fourteen more, for this simple reason, I cannot get away. I never saw such hard times in all my life as we are now seeing in this part of the world. Great is the suffering of the people here at present, it being impossible to obtain food and other necessities of life to render them comfortable. I have seen rather dull times since I started on this wild journey. I stepped in Iowa and took an interest in a printing office, but we being in rather a nuisance of a town could not make it pay. The village was small, although quite a business place, but there was no use trying, as the leading men of the town were so much on the "picayune" order that it was impossible to get an advertisement or even a card from them, but I am wandering from my subject, I will again call your attention to the scenes in and about Bannock. It is no uncommon sight in these parts, to see men hanging on trees with their pockets turned inside out, and perhaps a portion of their clothing taken from their bodies. My uncle, who possessed a small amount of money, was murdered and his money taken. You know such things would naturally put a dark feature on one's future hope, I long to see those cowardly villains wiped from the face of God's earth, there has been several of them caught, and yet the country seems to be full of them. I will not tire you any longer at present, but will give you a more elaborate account of affairs in my next.

Yours Truly

J. R.

NEWS BY TELEGRAPH.

Sherman's Movements.

His Occupation of Fayetteville.

NEWS FROM THE SOUTH.

Official Bulletin.

WAR DEPT., Washington, March 18th, 1865.—To Maj. Gen. Dix: The subjoined dispatches have been received at this Department.

C. A. DANA, Asst. Sec. War.
Fayetteville, N. C., March 10.—1:30 P. M.—To day we have added Fayetteville to the list of cities that have fallen into our hands. Hardee, who is said to have 20,000 men, withdrew across the river yesterday and last night. He is reported en route for Raleigh. The rebel skirmished on the town, firing artillery on the houses occupied by women and children. They burned a bridge at this place, and removed all the public stores by railroad they could. Sherman is here and well. Many men are waiting shoes and clothing, yet the army never was in better condition.

O. O. HOWARD,

Major General.

CITY POINT, Va., March 18.—The Richmond papers of to day are received. The Confederate Congress adjourned since die at 3 o'clock to-day.

The President of the James River canal calls on the farmers of Virginia to aid in repairing the canal.

The Augusta (Ga.) paper says that A. U. Stephens has been in Georgia for the past ten days, and has not yet

been heard from, and that this silence will not continue.

Vigorous efforts are making at Richmond for the organization of colored troops.

Mobile, March 9th.—Transports containing 2,000 troops, entered the bay yesterday through Grant's Pass.

Mobile, March 11.—Fourteen vessels more were added to the fleet to-day, making twenty one in sight of the city. Great activity prevails with the enemy in the lower harbor. There is every indication of an early attack.

NEWS ITEMS.

The Legislature of Rhode Island have abolished colored schools in that State. All children are equal as far as the law can make them.

President Lincoln, accompanied by Mrs. Lincoln, has engaged to attend the Sanitary Fair in Chicago on the 30th of May, if the national affairs will permit.

Tanners are using petroleum in preparing their leather. It is said that they find it quite as good for that purpose as fish oil which is usually used.

The construction of the government arsenal at Rock Island, Illinois to be commenced immediately. It will cost \$4,500,000, and will be one of the largest structures of the kind in the world.

A telegraph messenger boy in Newport, recently fished out of the water at a wharf a small package, which contained a fine gold watch in good order and still running, the inside being perfectly dry.

Counting whites, Chinaman, and Digger Indians, the population of California is about 400,000. Of these about 600 are in the Insane Asylum, and about the same number in the State Prison.

The Tribune's Washington special says one of the most celebrated fighting regiments from New York, with every one of its officers, from its Colonel down, have taken a vow to serve the popular cause in Mexico as soon as they are out of the war with the rebels.

The district of Georgetown, S. C., now occupied by Admiral Dahlgren, is the richest rice growing section of the Union, and must have been of great importance to the rebels. It was also one of the heaviest slave districts, only 2,894 of its people having been white in 1860, while 17,258 were slaves.

The Portsmouth (N. H.) Chronicle is informed that a few days since a large bull-dog, confined in a house in the north part of that city, seized an infant child lying in a cradle, and tore away one side of its face; and before the brute could be secured, he grasped the child by the throat and shook it until life was extinct.

Thomas Cummings was tried in the Circuit Court in New York on an indictment for having in his possession certain false United States currency notes. He proved that he stole them from the President of a National Bank that they were genuine, and he therefore was acquitted.

Gen. Shields, who has been for some months in Analoa, was arrested at Mazatlan recently, by the French authorities, as a spy or suspicious personage; but by the intercession Mr. Barrow, of Tonic, who visited Mazatlan for the purpose, he was liberated.

Commander Hollins, who was killed recently, near Gordonsville, Va. by men of Gen. Sheridan's command, was formerly an officer of the U. S. Navy. He gained much notoriety by his connection with the "Greytown Affair," some years since, but the rebels have received but little advantage from his fighting propensities.

A Cairo dispatch states that over two millions dollars worth of property has been destroyed at Eastport, Mississippi, by a flood in the Tennessee river. The steamer Postboy was blown up on the Mississippi river, twenty-five miles above New Orleans, on the 5th inst., by the explosion of her boiler. Two persons were killed.

A dispatch from Franklin, Pa., dated the 17th, says: "We are having the greatest flood ever known in this region."

The bridge at Oil City and the French Creek bridge at Franklin were swept away. Miles of railroad track are gone, and the telegraph lines on Oil Creek are washed away. The loss is estimated by the million. The river is still rising.

By order of the War Department, all volunteer officers who are not mustered out at the exact date of their enlistment, must remain in the service until the end of the war, or until the acceptance of their resignations. No officer is allowed to retain his commission beyond the term of his enlistment and then retire, making a personal convenience of the service.

Several deserters have reported and claimed pardon under the President's proclamation. It is reported there are a large number in Canada who will return and resume their place in the ranks.

The number of deserters from the rebel army is daily increasing.

STATE NEWS.

An agent of the American Express Company was in this city a few days since soliciting of the city authorities the right of a way for construction of a telegraph line through the city. We are happy to announce that the request has been cheerfully acceded to and that soon, Rochester will be put in telegraphic communication with "down east" and the "rest of mankind."—Rochester Post.

Last week, the great feat of moving a two-story building from South Bend to Mankato, was successfully accomplished. No difficulty was found in descending the South Bend hill, or crossing the Blue Earth. Since then two or three other buildings have been moved down from West Mankato and La Huller.—Mankato Record.

MAILS STOPPED.—The abundance of water that prevailed in the early part of the week produced some interruption to the regularity of the mails which had been praiseworthy for some time. The Chateaufort mail was prevented from going out on Monday morning. The LaCrosse mail started out and was able to travel a few miles, when it was obliged to suspend progress.

The Decorah and Spring Valley mails not being obliged to cross streams succeeded in making their way over their respective routes and the Spring Valley mail returned in good time on Tuesday. All others were missing.—Preston Republican.

WIRE DOWN.

The elements are on a rampage. The spring floods are smashing up Railroads and telegraphs with a perfect looseness. The rivers are in a state of insurrection, all through the East and West. Yesterday the Black river, Wis., raised the standard of revolt below La Crosse, and in flinging off its chains of ice, tore down and carried off three miles of telegraph, wires, poles and all.—St. Paul Press.

We assert it Boldly. There are no other Medicines so reliable, efficient and convenient as HOLLIS-WAY'S PILLS AND OINTMENT, always ready for use. They are invaluable to the Soldier exposed to wounds, sores, fevers and bowel complaints. They never fail.

If the reader of this notice cannot get a box of Pills or Ointment from the drug store in his place let him write to me 80 Maiden Lane, enclosing one amount and I will mail a box free of expense. Many dealers will not keep my medicines on hand, because they cannot make much profit as on others, make, 35 cents 88 cents and \$1.40 per box or pot.

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SPECIAL NOTICES.

CAUCUS.—There will be a Union Republican caucus held at Moulton's Hall, on Saturday Evening, APRIL FIRST at 4 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of nominating candidates for Town Officers, to be voted for at the coming Spring election. Per the Town Committee, C. S. KIMBALL, Ch'n.

SPRING ELECTION TICKETS printed to order at reasonable rates. Enquire at this office.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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By authority of the Secretary of the Treasury, the undersigned has assumed the General Subscription Agency for the sale of United States Treasury Notes, bearing seven and three tenths per cent, interest, per annum, known as the

SEVEN-THIRTY LOAN.

These Notes are issued under date of August 15th 1864, and are payable three years from that time, in currency, or are convertible at the option of the holder into

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The interest amounts to

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| One cent per day on a \$50 note. |
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| Ten " " " \$500 " |
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In order that citizens of every town and section of the country may be afforded facilities for taking the loan, the National Banks, State Banks, and Private Bankers throughout the country have generally agreed to receive subscriptions at par. Subscribers will select their own agents in whom they have confidence, and who only are to be responsible for the delivery of the notes for which they receive orders.

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Winneago City, Jan. 1864. n13c2tf

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ATLANTIC MONTHLY FOR 1865.

The Number for January, 1865, begins the Fifteenth Volume of the "Atlantic Monthly." The publishers state that they have made such arrangements for the coming year as will convince their readers that they intended to maintain the present position and popularity of their magazine. They can now announce definitely the following features of the New Volume:

Mrs. Harriet Beecher Stowe,

will contribute a new series of Domestic Papers, with the title of "The Chimney-Corner."

Donald C. Mitchell, author of

"Reveries of a Bachelor," will begin in early number a story with the title of "Dr. Johns."

Prof. Goldwin Smith, of the

University of Oxford, has engaged to write regularly during the year, on topics of interest to American readers.

Prof. Agassiz has in preparation

an other series of his interesting and valuable Scientific Papers.

Nathaniel Hawthorne's Pa-

per furnish some scenes from his unfinished work, "The Dolliver Romance," which will appear in the coming volume.

Fitz-Hugh Ludlow will con-

tinue his admirable sketches of travel and adventure.

George Augusta Sala, the

well known novelist and dramatist, will contribute a series of papers similar to those written by him in Dickens' "Household Words," and "All the Year Round." The first paper will be a sketch of George Cruikshank.

Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Hall will

contribute to the New Volume Memories of Authors they have known, including many interesting reminiscences of Moore and other literary celebrities.

The Author of "Ten Acres

ENOUGH" will furnish the Atlantic with regular articles of strikingly original character.

In addition to the features above enumerated, other interesting ones are in preparation. The magazine will still be favored with constant contributions from its regular staff of writers, whose names are familiar to the reading public as those of the

LOCAL AFFAIRS.

ADVERTISERS will find the "Holloway" one of the very best mediums, by which they may reach the people, as it has a large circulation, both in and out of the State.

At the District School Meeting held in this District on Saturday night last, the old Board was re-elected viz., J. S. Latimer, Trustee, A. C. Dunn, Clerk, and A. P. Sherman, Treasurer. The report of last year's proceedings showed a healthy state of the District finances. It was voted to have four months school during the coming summer, and three months during the winter.

It was also voted to hold a special School Meeting two weeks from Saturday night last, to take into consideration the question of levying a tax, to build a new School House. This is a move in the right direction, and we trust the tax will be voted, and the much needed School House built.

We noticed a farmer on Saturday with a load of Cottonwood cuttings! His example should be followed by others. Begin just as soon as the frost is out of the ground six inches and set out these cuttings every one of which, will in four years, make a tree from ten to twenty feet high. We hear it said that, by laying the limbs of the Cottonwood of last years growth in a furrow, and then ploughing them under, every bud on the limbs will sprout up, and become a tree. Try it!

Since the river broke up, there has been a good deal of difficulty in making the crossings at the various fords between this place and Mankato. Owing to the energy of Mason the Blue Earth Valley Stage man, the mails have been brought through regularly, and on time. He deserves the thanks of the community for his pluck in coming through such a how.

Wheat was sown on several farms in Verona township on Friday and Saturday last. Our Eastern friends who will persist in calling this country too cold for farming purposes, will please make a note of this. We have been enjoying the most delightful spring weather imaginable for two weeks. March has kept her promise and given us the lamb part of her disposition.

Good Templars, look out for your laurels, as we are informed by a "reliable gentleman" that a "perfectionist man" became so prone to cold heartedness lately, and said frigidity being so intense, that a "snifter" of Red Jacket was brought in requisition to alleviate the sufferer's condition. Such delinquents should be compelled to hide "ye swift goat."

Mrs. Rhodes, the wife of Eliza Rhodes, Esq., of this place, died very suddenly on Friday last. She was sick but about twenty four hours. Mr. Rhodes was absent, at the time, at Fairbault. She leaves a family of four children.

If you wish to thrive, and keep pace with the times, support your home paper. We wouldn't give a snap of our finger for a stinky old fossil that depends on his neighbor for reading matter.

Subscribers finding a cross on their paper will understand the time of subscription has expired. Send in your names, we wish to become further acquainted with you, there being plenty of room.

George Moulton, of the firm of Moulton & Dendon, has gone East to purchase their stock of Spring and Summer Goods which will no doubt be of the best and latest styles.

We should judge from the way a certain "plug" horse has to "scratch dirt" through our streets about sixteen times per day, that there is going to be a chance for some Elder or Squire to make a dollar or two.

Mankato is the best trading point this side of the Mississippi for this section of the country.

O! what will become of the "Prairie Gem" when the green fly again takes the wing?

Our Idaho correspondent gives a doleful account of the state of things in that region.

1,990,077,299,500,000,000,777 222 subscribers wanted for this paper.

MORTGAGE SALE.

Default having been made in the condition of a Mortgage executed and delivered, by Isaac Wincent of Martin County Territory of Minnesota (Now State) to James Price of Fillmore County Territory of Minnesota (Now State) Dated the nineteenth (19) day of April A. D. 1858 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for the county of Martin Minnesota on the twenty-fifth day (25) of November A. D. 1859 at seven (7) o'clock P. M. Book B. Page twenty-eight (28) and twenty-nine (29) of Deeds and Mortgages. And said Mortgage was duly assigned to Richard James the twenty-second (22) day of December A. D. 1863, and the assignment duly recorded in the Registers Office in said County of Martin, on the fifteenth (15) day of July, A. D. 1864 at three (3) o'clock P. M. in Book B. of Mortgage Page eighty-three (83) and eighty-four (84). On which Mortgage there is due at the date of this notice the sum of five hundred and fifty dollars (\$550.00) being for the purchase money of the within described lands. And no suit or proceedings at law having been commenced thereon. Therefore by virtue of a power of sale contained in said Mortgage and in conformity with the statute in that behalf made and provided the premises described in and conveyed by said Mortgage to wit Lot No. seven (7) and eight (8) Section 31 and the northwest Quarter of southwest Quarter of Sec. 32, Town 102 Range 30 County of Martin State of Minnesota, will be sold at public Auction to the highest bidder at the store of A. L. Ward in Farmington in said County of Martin on the seventh (7) day of April, A. D. 1865 at one o'clock in the afternoon of said day, to satisfy the amount then due on said Mortgage together with the costs and expenses of sale. Dated the 28th of February A. D. 1865.

RICHARD JAMES, Assignee of Mortgage. ALBERT L. WARD, Attorney.

NOTICE. On this 24th day of February 1865, my son John F. Doramus left his home without any cause whatever, and I wish to inform the public, that I do not hold myself responsible for any bargains said John F. Doramus may make. GEORGE DORAMUS. Minn. Lake, Feb. 24th.

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the naturalization laws of the United States, and
who has never borne arms against the United
States Government, or given aid and comfort to
its enemies, shall, from and after the first January
eighteen hundred and sixty-three, be entitled to
enter upon a quarter section or a less quantity of
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person may have filed a pre-emption claim, or
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ted States, and that he has never borne arms
against the United States, and that he has never
given aid and comfort to its enemies, and that
such application is made for his or her exclusive
use and benefit, and that said entry is made for
the purpose of actual settlement and cultivation,
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soever; and upon filing the said affidavit with
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THE HOMESTEAD LAW.
AN ACT to secure homesteads to actual settlers
on the public domain.
Be it enacted by the Senate and House of
Representatives of the United States of America
in Congress assembled, That any person who is
the head of a family, or who has arrived at the
age of twenty-one years, and is a citizen of the
United States, or who shall have filed his declara-
tion of intention to become such, as required by
the naturalization laws of the United States, and
who has never been arms against the United
States Government, or given aid and comfort to
its enemies, shall, from and after the first Janu-
ary eighteen hundred and sixty-three, be entitled
to unappropriated public lands, upon which said
person may have filed a pre-emption claim, or
which may, at the time the application is made,
be subject to pre-emption at one dollar and twenty
five cents, or less, per acre; or eighty acres or
less of such unappropriated lands, at two dollars
and fifty cents per acre, to be located in a body,
in conformity to the legal subdivisions of the pub-
lic lands, and after the same shall have been sur-
veyed: Provided, That any person owning and
residing on land may, under the provisions of
this act, enter other land being contiguous to
his or her said land, and not within the limits
of the aggregate one hundred and sixty acres.
Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That the
person applying for the benefit of this act shall,
upon application to the register of the land office
in which he or she is about to make such entry,
make affidavit that he is the head of a family, or is
twenty-one years of age, or shall have per-
formed service in the army or navy of the Uni-
ted States, and that he has never borne arms
against the Government of the United States, or
given aid and comfort to its enemies, and that
such application is made for his or her exclusive
use and benefit, and that said entry is made for
the purpose of actual settlement and cultivation,
and not either directly or indirectly for the use
or benefit of any other person or persons whom-
soever; and upon filing the said affidavit with the
register or receiver, and on payment of ten
dollars, he or she shall thereupon be permitted to
enter the quantity of land specified: Provided
that no certificate shall be given or patent
issued therefor until the expiration of
five years from the date of such entry; and if,
at the expiration of such time, or at any time
thereafter, the person making such entry, or if
he be dead, his widow; or in case of her death,
her heirs, shall prove by two credible
witnesses that he, she, or they have resided upon
or cultivated the same for the term of five years
immediately preceding the time of filing the
affidavit aforesaid, and shall make affidavit that
no part of said land has been alienated, and that
he or she is the true owner of the same, and that
he or she is a citizen of the United States; then,
in such case he, she, or they, if at that time a citizen of the United
States, shall be entitled to a patent, as in other
cases provided for by law: And provided, fur-
ther, That in case of the death of both father
and mother, leaving an infant child, or child-
ren, under twenty-one years of age, the right and fee
shall descend to the benefit of said infant child, or
children; and the executor, administrator, or
guardian may, at any time within two years
after the death of the surviving parent, and in
conformity with the laws of the State in which
such children for the time being have their con-
domicil, sell said land for the benefit of said infants,
but for no other purpose; and the purchaser
shall acquire the absolute title by the purchase,
and be entitled to a patent from the United States
on payment of the office fees and sum of money
herein specified.
Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That the
register of the land office shall now advance ap-
plications on the track books and plats of this
office, and keep a register of all such entries, and
of the amount of money paid by the person making
such entry, together with the proof upon which they
have been founded.
Sec. 4. And be it further enacted, That no
land acquired under the provision of this act
shall in any event become liable to the satisfac-
tion of any debt or debts contracted prior to the
issuing of the patent therefor.
Sec. 5. And be it further enacted, That if, at
any time after the filing of the affidavit, as re-
quired in the second section of this act, and before
the expiration of the five years aforesaid, it shall
be proved, after due notice to the settler, to the
satisfaction of the register of the land office, that
the person having filed such affidavit shall have
actually changed his or her residence, or aban-
doned said land for more than six months at
any time, then and in that event the land so
entered shall revert to the Government.
Sec. 6. And be it further enacted, That no
industrial shall be permitted to acquire title to
more than one quarter section under the pro-
visions of this act; and that the Commissioner of
the General Land Office is hereby required to
prepare and issue such rules and regulations, con-
sistent with this act, as shall be necessary and
proper to carry its provisions into effect; and
that the registers and receivers of the several
land offices shall be entitled to receive a com-
pensation for any lands entered under the pro-
visions of this act that they are now entitled
to receive, and the same quantity of land is en-
titled to money, one half to be paid by the person
making the application at the time of so doing,
and the other half on the issue of the certificate
by the person to whom it may be issued; but
this shall not be construed to enlarge the maxi-
mum of compensation now prescribed by law for
any register or receiver: Provided, That nothing
in this act shall be construed to prevent the
land office from receiving the same amount of
compensation for any lands entered prior to the
passage of this act, as shall be provided by law
for any register or receiver: And provided, fur-
ther, That all persons who may have filed their
applications for pre-emption rights prior to the
passage of this act shall be entitled to all the
privileges of this act: Provided, further, That
no person who, as aforesaid, or may hereafter serve,
for a period of not less than four years in the
army or navy of the United States, either regular
or volunteer, under the laws thereof, during the
existence of an actual war, domestic or foreign,
shall be deprived of the benefits of this act on
account of not having attained the age of twenty
years.
Sec. 7. And be it further enacted, That the
first section of the act entitled "An act in addition
to an act to provide for the punishment of cer-
tain crimes against the United States, and for
other purposes," approved the 3d of March, in the
year eighteen hundred and sixty-five, shall
extend to all oaths, affirmations, and affidavits,
required or authorized by this act.
Sec. 8. And be it further enacted, That nothing
in this act shall be construed as to prevent
any person who has availed himself or herself of
the benefits of the first section of this act from
receiving the minimum price, or the price to which
the same may have graduated, for the quantity
of land so entered at any time before the ex-
piration of the five years, and obtaining a pa-
tent therefor from the Government, in any case
provided by law, on making proof of settlement
and cultivation as provided by existing laws
granting pre-emption rights.
Sec. 9. And be it further enacted, That nothing
in this act shall be construed as to prevent
any person who has availed himself or herself of
the benefits of the first section of this act from
receiving the minimum price, or the price to which
the same may have graduated, for the quantity
of land so entered at any time before the ex-
piration of the five years, and obtaining a pa-
tent therefor from the Government, in any case
provided by law, on making proof of settlement
and cultivation as provided by existing laws
granting pre-emption rights.
Sec. 10. And be it further enacted, That the
bill providing that in case of any person
desiring to avail himself of the benefits of the
homestead act of May 20, 1862, but who, by rea-
son of actual service in the military or naval ser-
vice of the United States, is unable to do the per-
sonal preliminary work of the District land office
which that act requires, it shall and may be law-
ful for such person to make the affidavit required
by that act before the officer commanding in the
field, and the register by the wife or other re-
presentative of the party, shall become effec-
tive from the date of filing; provided the applica-
tion and affidavit be accompanied by the fee and
commissions as required by law.
The second section provides that besides the
one dollar fee exacted by the homestead act, the

applicant shall hereafter pay to the register and
receiver each, as commissions, at the time of an
entry, one cent, upon the cash price as fixed by
law of the land and House of Representatives,
when the claim is finally established, and the com-
mission therefore issued as the basis of a patent.
The third section provides that in any case
hereafter in which the applicant for the benefit
of the homestead is prevented by reason of dis-
tance, bodily infirmity or other good cause, from
personal attendance at the District land office, he
may make the affidavit required by the original
statute before the clerk of the court for the coun-
ty in which he is an actual resident, and trans-
mit the same, with the fee and commissions, to
the register and receiver.
The fourth section provides that in lieu of the
fee allowed by the twelfth section of the pre-emption
act of 4th September 1841, the register and
receiver shall each be entitled to one dollar for
their services in acting upon pre-emption claims,
and shall be allowed, jointly, at the rate of fif-
teen cents per hundred words for the testimony
which may be required by the District land
claimants, in establishing pre-emption or home-
stead rights.

The sixth section provides that where a pre-
emption claim taken the preliminary steps required
by existing laws in regard to actual settlement
and is called away from such settlement by be-
ing actually engaged in the military or naval ser-
vice of the United States, any by reason of such
absence is unable to appear at the District land
office to make before the register or receiver the
affidavit required by the thirteenth section of
the pre-emption act of 4th September, 1841, the
time for filing such affidavit shall be extended
six months after the expiration of his term of
service, upon satisfactory proof, by affidavit, or
the testimony of witnesses, that the said pre-emption
or is so in the service, being filed with the reg-
ister of the land office for the district in which his
settlement is made.

By the seventh section, the registers and re-
ceivers in the State of California are to collect
and receive fifty per cent in addition to the fees
and allowances provided by the act.

U. S. 7-30 LOAN.
The Secretary of the Treasury gives notice that
subscriptions will be received for Coupon Treas-
ury Notes payable three years from Aug. 15th 1864,
semi-annual interest at the rate of seven and
three-tenths percent, per annum, principal and
interest both to be paid in lawful money.
These notes will be convertible at the option of
the holder at maturity, into six per cent gold
bearing bonds, payable not less than five nor
more than twenty years from their date, as the
Government may elect. They will be issued in
denominations of \$50, \$100, \$500, \$1,000 and
\$5,000, and all subscriptions must be for fifty
dollars or some multiple thereof.

As the notes bear interest from August 15, persons
making deposits subsequent to that date must
pay the interest accrued from the date of
note to date of deposit.
Special advantages of this Loan.
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higher rate of interest than any other and the
BEST SECURITY. Any savings bank which
pays its depositors in U. S. Notes, considers that
it is paying in the best circulating medium of the
country, and it cannot pay in anything better,
for its own assets are either in government securi-
ties or in notes or bonds payable in government
paper.

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5-20 Gold Bond.
In addition to the very liberal interest on the
notes for three years, this privilege of conversion
is now about thirty per cent per annum for
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nine per cent premium, and before the war
the premium on six per cent U. S. stocks was
over twenty per cent. It will be seen that the
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rate, is not less than ten per cent per annum.

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enumerated, a special act of Congress exempt-
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tion. On the average, this exemption is worth
about two per cent per annum, according to the
rate of taxation in various parts of the country.
It is believed that no securities offer so great
advantages to lenders as those issued by the
Government. In all other forms of indebtedness,
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companies, or separate communities, only, is
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of the country is held to secure the discharge of
all the obligations of the United States.

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of the United States, at Washington, the several
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throughout the country will give further infor-
mation and
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October 26, 1864. n52m2

TOWN MEETING.
Pursuant to the statute in such case
as provided, there will be a
special Town Meeting of the legal
voters of the Town of Winnebago City,
held at Moulton's Hall at the village of
Winnebago City, on Monday, the 6th
day of February 1865, to vote upon a
proposition to pay a bounty of \$400, to
each person enlisting on or before the
15th day of February, 1865, to the cre-
dit of said town, under the last call of
the President for 300,000 men. Said
money to be raised by issuing Town
Bonds payable in two years with 12
per cent interest. The polls will be
opened at said Hall in said village, com-
mencing at nine o'clock P. M. and con-
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R. B. JOHNSON,
Town Clerk.

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